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No Doubt Entertained of the Success of the Peace Conference.

LONDON, Monday, Jan. 11.

The indications of the first day's session of the Conference on the Eastern question leave little if any doubt of ultimate success. The Turkish Government, through its representative, consented to maintain the present *status* until the close of the Conference. It is the general impression that but one more session will be held, and that war between Turkey and Greece will be obviated.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Monday, Jan. 11.

The Sublime Porte has officially congratulated the people of the Danubian Principalities on their loyalty during the recent crisis.

ITALY.

Suppression of the Tax Disturbances.

FLORENCE, Monday, Jan. 11.

The recent disturbances in various parts of the Kingdom, fomented by reactionists, have been suppressed. The unpopular taxes are now being collected without difficulty.

FRANCE.

Estimates of the Minister of Finance—The Emperor Congratulated.

PARIS, Monday, Jan. 11.

The budget of M. MAGNE, the Minister of Finance, has been made public. It shows that the floating debt has been reduced two millions of francs during the past year. The estimates of the Minister for the fiscal year 1870 promise an excess of 86,000,000 francs in receipts over expenditures, which surplus is to be devoted to reducing the extraordinary budget, and 42,000,000 francs are to be made applicable to the redemption of Bentes. M. MAGNE congratulates the country on the return of public confidence and the general resumption of industrial pursuits, and concludes by declaring that the gratitude of the nation is due to the Emperor for removing the only cause of rupture between European Powers and of international and domestic distrust.

PORTUGAL.

A New Ministry to be Formed.

LISBON, Monday, Jan. 11.

The Duke of Saldanha has been summoned to Lisbon to form a new Ministry.

SPAIN.

More Troops to be Sent to Cuba.

MADRID, Monday, Jan. 11.

Additional troops are to be sent to Cuba, and will sail from Cadiz in a short time.

CUBA.

Prominent Citizens of Havana Gone to Confer with the Revolutionists.

HAVANA, Monday, Jan. 11.

A Commission of influential citizens of Havana, native Cubans and prominent members of the Liberal Party, left this city yesterday on the steamer *Montezuma* for Nuevitas, on their way to Bayamo, to meet the revolutionary leaders and attempt to bring about a compromise for the restoration of peace. Among the members of the Commission are Senors JOSE ARMAS, HORTENCIO, TAMAGO and RODRIGUEZ, well-known friends of reform and liberal institutions.

DOMINION OF CANADA.

Loss of the Brig A. R. Dunlap—Fire at Ottawa.

HALIFAX, Monday, Jan. 11.

The loss of the brig *A. R. Dunlap*, from Boston to this port, with thirteen lives, is fully confirmed. Portions of the wreck and one body, recognized as Mrs. TALBOT, have floated ashore. The wreck occurred off Money's Head, Prospect Bay, thirty miles from here.

Hon. Mr. HOWE leaves for Portland to-morrow, to meet Hon. Mr. ROSS, on his way to England. It is rumored that if matters can be satisfactorily arranged with the British and Dominion Houses of Commons, Mr. HOWE will take an appointment as President of the Privy Council. Hon. Mr. MCLELLAN accompanies Mr. HOWE.

OTTAWA, Monday, Jan. 11.

A fire broke out in the Ottawa County Court-house, at Aylmer, this morning, consuming the entire building. All the papers and records were saved. The roof of the jail caught fire, but was extinguished without much damage.

OTTAWA, Monday, Jan. 11.

The first quarterly report of the insurance companies licensed to do business in Canada is published. It contains the names of thirty-two companies. The total amount of deposits is $36,682,400.

The bank returns for December show the total assets $86,141,285. Four banks in Nova Scotia and three in New-Brunswick give no returns.

The Cleveland and Pittsburg Railroad.

CLEVELAND, Monday, Jan. 11.

The *Herald* of to-day contains a protest of JAMES F. CLARK, J. N. MCCULLOUGH and B. F. JONES, Directors of the Cleveland and Pittsburg Railroad, against the action of the new Board of Directors, taken Jan. 6, consisting of resolutions making a scrip dividend of fifteen per cent.; cash dividend of two per cent.; issuing $5,000,000 bonds; abrogating all existing by-laws, and empowering the Executive Committee to make new ones; creating a financial agent with the right to hold the funds of the Company without giving bonds; double-tracking the road, and appropriating $500,000 to be placed in the hands of the financial agent to pay attorneys' fees, &c.

Bishop Duggan and the Catholic Clergy of Chicago.

CHICAGO, Monday, Jan. 11.

Current rumor says Father MCMULLEN, who went to Rome, two months ago, to complain against Bishop DUGGAN, of this diocese, has obtained an order from the Propaganda citing the Bishop to appear before the Council to show cause why he removed Fathers MCMULLEN, ROLFE and MCGOVERN.

Light-houses and Signals for the California Coast Demanded.

SAN FRANCISCO, Monday, Jan. 11.

The Board of Underwriters and Chamber of Commerce have adopted a memorial to the Light-house Board at Washington, asking that immediate action be taken toward locating light-houses and signals on Points New-Year, Reges, Arenas, and Pigeon. The memorial shows that within the radius which would be illuminated by the erection of light-houses on either Pigeon Point or Point New-Year, nine vessels have been wrecked and a million and a quarter dollars' worth of property destroyed. Fifty-one lives are known to have been lost during the same period. Twelve vessels have gone ashore on Points Arenas and Reges, involving a loss of over $825,000.

FRESHET.

Rise in the Hudson River at Albany—Considerable Damage to Property.

ALBANY, Monday, Jan. 11.

The water in the river is rising slowly and a severe storm of rain and hail prevails. No heavy inundation is apprehended, but owing to a remarkably strong current that sets in from the east side of the river north of the city, and which pours into the basin in great volume, very serious damage is being done to property on the pier between the east end of the Columbia-street bridge and the cut through which passes the Hudson River and Harlem Railroad ferry-boats. Buildings Nos. 77, 78 and 79, which were occupied by A. VAN SANFORD and by SCHUYLER, VOSBURG & BRIGGS as barge offices and store-houses, are almost ruined, the west wall having fallen. The contents, mostly flour, belonging to WATERMAN & BUELL, was nearly all got out before nightfall. The west wall of No. 80 has also caved in. This was a six-story brick building belonging to S. F. WASHBURNE, of West Troy. It was filled with oats, belonging to TROWBRIDGE & CROMBIE, and a cargo of wheat belonging to E. GAY & CO.; also with barley, a large quantity of which is lost. No. 81, occupied by TROWBRIDGE & CROMBIE, is also damaged, the west wall being badly cracked and the foundation is apparently sapped. This is a new building, and cost $25,000. It stands upon thickly-studded piles driven into the bed of the river some thirty feet. The walls are twenty-four inches thick. This building contains a large quantity of grain belonging to various parties. Nos. 82 and 83, formerly PATTEN'S steam flour mill, is also in great danger. It contains 5,000 barrels of flour and 11,000 bushels of barley belonging to JOHN TWEDDLE, and grain owned by several firms. The property lost, together with that still in danger, is valued at over $500,000. The water seems to be undermining the whole stretch of the pier south from Columbia-street bridge to the railroad ferry-cut. In the Patten mill and elevator are some 200,000 bushels of grain, and although the walls of this building are still apparently firm, the engine in the engine-room has settled several inches.

More Outrages by the Kuklux in Tennessee.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Monday, Jan. 11.

A band of Kuklux made a raid into Livingston, Overton County, Tenn., on the night of Dec. 30. What particular object they had is not known, but they left after a sharp conflict with a party of colored men, forgetting to carry away with them half a dozen horses and their shrouds. The negroes claimed the horses as trophies, and sent them away for safe-keeping. The Kuklux returned on the night of the 2d of January, largely reinforced, and demanded of Mr. LEWIS, United States Attorney, that he should inform them of the disposition of the horses. Mr. LEWIS did not know, and so informed them. They then exacted a promise from him to ascertain, stating that they would return. Some of them visited the town next day, and were very threatening to Mr. LEWIS, who brought the news of the raid to this city. He is trying to get the State authorities to take action on the subject. The Sheriff of Overton has armed a posse of fifty citizens, who await further demonstrations of the Klan.

Celebration of the Missionary Society Anniversary in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Jan. 11.

The fiftieth anniversary of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church was celebrated here to-day. The platform was occupied, among others, by Bishops AMES and JANES. Rev. Dr. HARRIS, one of the Secretaries last year, stated that the contributions amounted to $614,187, and the year before to $686,320. He gave the aggregate contributions of each of the five decades, which amounted to $8,581,377 10. The Board had applied all the money to the work, as a rule, but during the war did not enlarge the amount, and the missions stood at the close of the war as they had at the beginning, and at the close there was a surplus of $480,000. When the General Committee met in 1868 they were in debt, and the general appropriations were larger. They are now in debt a little over $100,000, a loan, on which interest is being paid. Bishop JANES, Rev. Dr. CHAPMAN, of Tremont Church, Boston, Rev. Dr. HARE, and Judge REYNOLDS, of New-York, delivered addresses. The subscriptions in all the Methodist churches here yesterday were liberal in aid of the missions.

Three Negroes Hanged by a Vigilance Committee in Kansas.

St. LOUIS, Mo., Monday, Jan. 11.

The Leavenworth *Commercial* says a white man named HAYS was recently murdered at Hays City, Kansas, by three negro soldiers belonging to the Thirty-eighth Infantry. The murderers were arrested and lodged in jail preparatory to trial, but during the night they were taken from prison by the Vigilance Committee and hanged to the nearest trees. Trouble between the white and negro soldiers at Fort Larned has occurred, and conflicts have become so frequent and serious that the negroes had to be removed from the post and escorted a distance from it.

The Florida Legislature.

TALLAHASSEE, Monday, Jan. 11.

In the Senate to-day Mr. KREMMINGER, Republican, was elected President *pro tem.*, defeating PEARCE, colored, and PURMAN. Seven Democrats voted for KREMMINGER, who is Conservative and opposed to impeachment. Nothing was done in the House.

Martial Law in Arkansas Withdrawn.

MEMPHIS, Monday, Jan. 11.

A special dispatch to the *Avalanche* from Little Rock to-night states that Gov. CLAYTON has withdrawn his proclamation of martial law in Columbia and Lafayette Counties, east of Red River.

The Twitchell Murder Case in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, Jan. 11.

In the Court of Oyer and Terminer to-day additional reasons were filed for asking a new trial of TWITCHELL, making nineteen in all.

The Court of Appeals.

ALBANY, Monday, Jan. 11.

The Court of Appeals day calendar for Jan. 12 is as follows, to wit: Nos. 21½, 24½, 54, 64, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 72½, 73, 74 and 76.

Miscellaneous Telegrams.

PHELPS, Ontario Co., N. Y., Jan. 11.—A large fire occurred here last night about midnight, totally destroying the Gibson Block with the exception of one store. The stores which were burned consisted mainly of dry goods and clothing establishments. The fire originated from a stove in the rear of a clothing store. The total loss is estimated at $60,000, on which there is an insurance for about $30,000.

BUFFALO, Jan. 11.—The meeting on 'Change this morning, held to discuss the canal interests of the State, was largely attended. A committee was appointed, and majority and minority resolutions were offered. After considerable discussion, the whole matter was referred back, and the committee is to report fresh resolutions on Wednesday next.

NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 11.—A fire at Belleville, three miles north of Newark, at 2:30 o'clock this morning, destroyed JOSEPH L. WHITEFIELD'S grocery store, WM. L. JACKSON'S (adjacent) stove store, and J. W. DOW'S building, occupied as a public hall NICHOLAS STEVENS restaurant was partly consumed. The loss is $10,000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

CHICAGO, Jan. 11.—The Union Christian Convention commenced its session in the Second Presbyterian Church this evening. D. L. MOODY was chosen President, and addresses were delivered by prominent clergymen and laymen of the city. The Convention will continue until Wednesday evening.

CHICAGO, Jan. 11.—A six feet vein of superior coal has been discovered on the line of the Denver and Pacific Railroad. A dispatch from DENVER, Colorado, reports that two men, CISCO and BOARNEMEN, were killed by Indians on the Smoky Hill route on Friday.

LOUISVILLE, Jan. 11.—At 6 o'clock this afternoon a fire broke out in the wholesale clothing establishment of FOURMAN, HARRIS, NAIRN & CO., on Main-street, between Seventh and Eighth, destroying goods to the amount of $20,000, which is fully insured in local and Eastern offices. The building was but slightly damaged.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 11.—Chief Constable HUBBARD has arrested TALBOT, one of the murderers of RANDOLPH and MARTIN last year. TALBOT has turned State's evidence, and reports that his two comrades have escaped.

WORCESTER, Mass., Jan. 11.—NAHUM HOLBROOK, Esq., a prominent citizen of Upton, Mass., about 65 years of age, was found dead in his saw-mill to-day. From the marks on his body it is supposed that he was killed by a slab flying off suddenly, hitting him in the stomach.

WASHINGTON.

Passage in the House of the Bill to Repeal the Tenure-of-Office Act—The Legislative and Executive Appropriation Bill—Virginia Reconstruction.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Jan. 11.

The repeal by the House of the Tenure-of-Office act, as foreshadowed in these dispatches last night, was the chief event in Congress to-day. It became evident last week that the Judiciary Committee would not be called again this session, so that it would be impossible to report Gen. BUTLER'S bill for its repeal, which had been agreed to by a majority of the Committee. It was therefore arranged that to-day, during the call of the States for resolutions, Mr. H. D. WASHBURN, of Indiana, whose State was certain to be reached, should introduce the Repeal bill and push it through under the previous question, all of which was duly done—the vote on its passage being 119 yeas to 47 nays. The House had been carefully polled during the past week, and the movers of the matter were assured of the result. Nevertheless, there was considerable surprise when it came up, and the vote in the negative must not be taken as indicative of the measure of hostility to the proposed repeal. The nays were all Republicans, and included some of the ablest and most practical men in the House, such as GARFIELD, DELANO, SCHELLABARGER and SCHENCK, of Ohio; POMEROY, CHURCHILL, MCCARTHY and LAFLIN, of New-York; AMES, of Massachusetts; JENCKES, of Rhode Island; PERHAM and PIKE, of Maine; MAYNARD, of Tennessee, and others. Their votes are not to be taken by any means as indicative of a want of confidence in the new Administration, for some of them are the warmest admirers of both the President and Vice-President. Some of them would have voted for the repeal, if it had come from the Committee in regular order, and had been open to debate. Others are in favor of the principle of the bill, but would have voted for a modification of its provisions. Many Republicans voted for its repeal with pleasure, because they felt that on the occasion of its original passage they had been obliged to vote for it under the pressure of political necessity. Judge BINGHAM stated in private conversation very emphatically that he voted for the repeal of the statute because it was a dead letter, the Senate having refused to execute it. If the vote in the House is any indication, its passage by the Senate is certain, but the subject will be debated there at great length, and no prediction as to its result can be safely made. It will be noticed that nearly all the Southern members voted for the repeal. If the same class vote likewise in the Senate, the repeal will be carried. The classification of the negative vote, by States, is as follows: All Republicans: Maine—Pike and Perham; New-Hampshire—Ela and Benton; Vermont—Poland; Massachusetts—Ames; Rhode Island—Jenckes; New-York—Pomeroy, Ward, Laflin, Ferris, Kelsey, Churchill, McCarthy; Pennsylvania—Mercur, Moorehead, Morrell; West Virginia—Kitchen and Polsley; Ohio—Schenck, Garfield, Shellabarger, Delano, Beatty, Buckland and Welker; New-Jersey—Moore; Indiana—Shanks; Kentucky—McKee; Tennessee—Maynard, Arnell, Stokes, Mullins and Trimble; Missouri—Benjamin; Illinois—Farnsworth, Baker, Bromwell, Harding; Michigan—Upson; Nebraska—Taffe; Arkansas—Boles; California—Higby; Nevada—Ashley; North Carolina—French; South Carolina—Whittemore; Louisiana—Newsham. The affirmative vote was composed of eighty-four Republicans and thirty-five Democrats, so that the measure was carried by pure Republican strength.

LEGISLATIVE, EXECUTIVE AND JUDICIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

The following is a summary of the items of the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill, which will be reported to the House to-morrow: For the Senate, $612,810; packing boxes, both Houses, $3,000; Capitol Police, $65,160; House of Representatives, $1,840,594; public printing, $1,199,014; library of Congress, $51,168; Court of Claims, $129,300; Executive, $150,000; Office of the Secretary of the Treasury, $100,140; Supervisors and architect of the Treasury Department, $19,440; First Comptroller, $30,540; Second Comptroller, $100,940; Commissioners of Customs, $32,640; First Auditor, $62,140; Second Auditor, $208,940; Third Auditor, $330,920; Fourth Auditor, $53,340; Fifth Auditor, $49,640; Sixth Auditor, $227,540; Treasurer of the United States, $188,180; Register, $88,140; Solicitor's Office, $21,940; Lighthouse Board, $9,240; Comptroller of the Currency, $81,560; Commissioner of Internal Revenue, $349,450; paper, engraving and printing of currency, $75,000; rent, dies, paper, stamps, &c., $150,000; detecting and bringing to trial persons violating United States Internal Revenue laws, $100,000; salaries and expenses of Collectors, Assessors, Assistant Assessors, Revenue Agents, &c., $6,000,000; incidental and contingent expenses of the Treasury Department, $208,800. Department of the Interior—Secretary's Office, $41,540; General Land Office, $136,840; Indian Office, $82,600; Pension Office, $329,240; incidental expenses Interior Department, $87,500; Surveyor-General and clerks, $82,000; Supreme Court of the United States and United States District Courts, &c., $1,000,000;. War Department and Bureaus, $814,730; contingent expenses of the War Department, $106,200; Navy Department and Bureaus, $129,620; contingent expenses of the Navy Department, $21,990; Post Office Department, $638,000; contingent expenses of the Post Office Department, $65,000; Agricultural Department, $121,620; United States Mint and branches, $586,545; Assistant Treasurer, clerks, &c., $288,700; Governments in the Territories, $128,800; Attorney-General's office, and salaries of Justices of the Supreme Court, District Judges and Courts of the District of Columbia, $296,500. The amount appropriated by the bill is about $340,000 in excess of last year, owing to the fact that the Patent Office Fund is now carried into the Treasury, and its expenses fixed by appropriation.

APPROPRIATION BILLS.

The principal business in the House to-day, aside from the passage of the Civil Tenure Repeal bill, was the final passage of the Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation bill, substantially as it came from the Committee of the Whole, and the completion of the Naval Appropriation bill in Committee of the Whole. The most material change made was a point of order against the section reducing the Marine Corps, as being general legislation and not germane to the bill, which point was sustained by Mr. Chairman BLAINE, and the section stricken out.

VIRGINIA RECONSTRUCTION.

The Senate Judiciary Committee have not yet considered the bill which passed the House last Summer, providing for the reconstruction of Virginia, and the manner and time of holding elections to ratify the new Constitution adopted about this time last Winter. By the terms of the bill referred to about 25,000 participants in the late rebellion will be excluded from voting, and the object of the delegation of Virginians at present in this city is to concede impartial suffrage, provided universal amnesty is granted to all the inhabitants of the State. The proposal meets with considerable favor from many leading members of Congress, but the Reconstruction Committee are rather disposed to try to reconstruct the State on the basis of the Fourteenth Constitutional Amendment. Should this Virginia movement succeed, it is not improbable that Mississippi will endeavor to obtain readmission to Congress on the same terms. Letters have been received here from some of the prominent citizens of that State, approving the course taken by Virginia, and deploring the stupidity which has caused them to follow less judicious advice for so long a time. The Democratic Representatives are generally opposed to the projects of the Virginia delegation, regarding negro suffrage as unwise and unsafe under any circumstances.

AFFAIRS IN LOUISIANA.

The Secretary of War transmitted to the House to-day the official reports from a number of the military officers in command in Louisiana, showing the number of casualties in that State during the month of November, and also at the riots in St. Landry Parish, Sept. 28, and St. Bernard Parish, Oct. 25 to 27. Gen. HATCH, Commander of the Sub-District of Louisiana, reports for November, as the result wholly of political differences: Two whites killed, one wounded and three outraged in various ways; nineteen negroes killed, thirty-three wounded and twenty outraged. At the Cupelousas riot, in St. Landry Parish, the official report is two whites killed and four wounded; twenty-five negroes killed and wounded. On the night of Sept. 29 fourteen or fifteen negroes were taken out of jail, and, in the language of the report, murdered secretly, designedly and deliberately. At the riot in the Parish of St. Bernard the official report is: Two whites killed, one wounded; nine negroes killed and sixteen wounded. These terrible facts are the result of the official investigation by the officers of the army.

AFFAIRS IN GEORGIA.

Hon. C. H. PRINCE, of Georgia, has received a dispatch from J. E. BRYANT, Chairman of the Republican State Executive Committee, stating that at a meeting of the Committee at Atlanta, on the 6th, with leading Republicans from all parts of the stations, resolutions were unanimously adopted favoring the bill introduced by Senator EDMUNDS, and pledging the support of the party in the State to that measure. The bill of Mr. EDMUNDS, it will be recollected, proposes to go back to the assembling of the Legislature, which was the period when the Government was handed over to the civil authorities by commencing anew and building on the basis of the Fourteenth Amendment, which will exclude the ineligible members, by whose votes the colored members were expelled, and will also reinstate those colored members.

THE ALASKA INVESTIGATION.

The Alaska Committee examined Mr. NOAH, who is now acting as correspondent of the New-York *Democrat*, which paper was not in existence at the time of the passage of the appropriation, who testified that his brother, the correspondent of the *Alta California*, having spent some time in Russian America, making meteorological observations, contributed the result of his labors to the Press, and they being transferred to the report of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, it so pleased the Russian Legation that he was invited to call and receive a present of $1,000 in greenbacks.

COLLECTOR SMYTHE.

The Senate spent an hour to-day in the discussion of Mr. SMYTHE'S confirmation as Minister to Russia. The body was pretty full, and three or four speeches were made for and against him. A motion to lay on the table resulted yeas 15, nays 34. Mr. EDMUNDS made a strong attack on Mr. SMYTHE, but other Republicans spoke in his favor. He developed a great deal of strength to-day, and his friends are very sanguine of his final success. Mr. FESSENDEN is very friendly to him, but Mr. TRUMBULL has not yet given any indication of how he will vote. Mr. CONKLING is bitterly opposed to his confirmation.

GEN. KILPATRICK.

Gen. KILPATRICK'S leave of absence expires at the end of this month, but he expects to have it prolonged until after the 4th of March next. He draws no salary from the Government during his absence from his mission.

THE CLAIM OF MISS MURPHY.

The Murphy claim was again discussed in the Senate to-day, and again postponed until to-morrow. Senators COLE, FOWLER, POMEROY, MORRILL of Vermont, DOOLITTLE and others spoke on the subject. The lady's age and loyalty were thoroughly inquired into, but the vote appears as far off as ever.

THE COPPER TARIFF.

Senator CHANDLER, who has returned from Michigan, presented joint resolutions of the Michigan Legislature, asking for the passage by the Senate of the Copper Tariff bill, and Senator HENDRICKS a resolution from the Indiana Legislature, against any further increase of duty on iron or steel.

THADDEUS STEVENS' ESTATE.

The assertion of a Democratic journal that $100,000 worth of Pacific Railroad bonds are among the effects of the late THADDEUS STEVENS is utterly untrue. Mr. STEVENS left about $8,000 worth of Missouri Railroad bonds, but they are claimed by other parties. The inventory of his estate has not yet been filed.

THE OVERLAND MAILS.

The House had another sharp fight on WELLS, FARGO & CO. to-day. Mr. WASHBURN proposed to suspend the rules so as to get a committee of investigation appointed, and also direct the stoppage of their pay. The usual bitter discussion followed, and the resolution failed, for want of the necessary two-thirds. It now goes over to next Monday again, and in the meantime it is probable that the Auditor will pay the drafts.

Dispatches to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Jan. 11.

THE CASE OF JOSEPH H. BRADLEY.

In November, 1867, at the conclusion of the Surratt trial, Judge FISHER, then holding the Criminal Court, debarred JOSEPH H. BRADLEY, Sr., from practice in that Court for contempt. The Supreme Court of the District of Columbia afterward affirmed Judge FISHER'S action. BRADLEY *ex parte* appealed to the Supreme Court of the United States, which today announced its decision that the Supreme Court of the District is distinct and separate from the Criminal Court of the District, though the Criminal Court is held by one of the Judges of the District Supreme Court, and that the latter, in attempting to punish for a contempt committed upon the Criminal Court, exceeded its jurisdiction; therefore a peremptory *mandamus* was ordered to the District Supreme Court to restore Mr. BRADLEY to his office of attorney. Associate Justice MILLER read a dissenting opinion.

THE SUTRO TUNNEL.

Mr. ASHLEY, of Nevada, introduced in the House to-day a bill to aid and ascertain the value of public lands containing mineral lodes, and for the endowment of the National School of Mines, which was referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining. The preamble to the bill states that the Comstock lodes in Nevada are believed to be inexhaustible, and that many millions of treasure can be saved only by making the proposed Sutro Tunnel; but as this work is beyond the means of private enterprise the bill proposes that the Secretary of the Treasury shall issue $5,000,000 of six per cent. bonds running thirty years. In order to be secured against loss the United States are to have the first mortgage and lien on the tunnel and property of the Company. After the completion of the main tunnel in connection with other tunnels, 90 per cent of the money collected from tolls, drainage, &c., is to be paid toward reimbursement. The remaining 10 per cent is to be devoted to the endowment of the National School of Mines.

NIAGARA SHIP CANAL.

Representative VAN HORN'S Niagara Falls Ship Canal bill comes up to-morrow after the morning hour, when he will open the debate.

MAIL ROBBERIES.

This city is infested more than ever with burglars and thieves. On Saturday night two wooden boxes mailed from Richmond that day—one for Baltimore, the other for Philadelphia—were taken from the wagon which conveys the Southern mails from the Potomac boat to the city Post Office and the Baltimore Station. A mail bag was also stolen from the mailing room of the Post Office. The bag and empty boxes were found in an alley near the Post Office. All the letters were carried away with the exception of about a dozen, among which were two money orders and several drafts, which the robbers dare not present for payment.

THE BALTIMORE AND POTOMAC RAILROAD.

The Baltimore and Potomac Railroad is now under contract for grading, and workmen are engaged along its entire length. It is expected that the road will be completed by the 1st of January, 1870. This will afford two lines between the South and Baltimore.

NAVAL INTELLIGENCE.

Commander E. SIMPSON has been detached from the command of the *Mohongo* and ordered to duty in charge of the Hydrography Office, at Washington. Commander J. M. BRADFORD is detached from the command of the *Resaca* and placed on waiting orders. Paymaster SWAN is detached from the *Saranac* and ordered to settle accounts. Acting Masters F. H. MOFFATT and L. B. KING are honorably discharged. Surgeon SAMUEL JAMESON is ordered to the Naval Hospital at Philadelphia.

THE SUPREME COURT.

In the Supreme Court to-day, the following decisions were rendered:

No. 3.—Alviso vs. the United States—Appeal from the District Court for the Northern District of California; decree affirmed; opinion by Mr. Justice Field.

No. ——.—Drury et al. Assignees of the Boston Locomotive Company vs. the Milwaukee and Superior Railroad Company—Appeal from the Circuit Court for the District of Wisconsin; decree reversed; opinion by Mr. Justice Davis.

No. 26.—Burbank vs. Bugelow, in error to the Circuit Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana—Judgment affirmed; opinion by Mr. Justice Miller.

No. 14.—City of Aurora vs. West et al., in error to the Circuit Court for the District of Indiana—Judgments affirmed; opinion by Mr. Justice Clifford; Mr. Justice Miller dissenting.

No. 8—Original *ex parte*, Joseph H. Bradley, Sr.—Petition for *mandamus*. Mr. Justice Nelson delivered the opinion of the Court, awarding the writ; Mr. Justice Miller dissented.

No. 329—Davidson vs. Stokher; No. 330—Same vs. King; and No. 331—Same vs. McMahon, in error to the Supreme Court of Minnesota—Dismissed for want of jurisdiction.

No. 33—United States vs. Steamer *Vigo*.

No. 34—United States vs. Steamer *J. M. Sharp*—Passed for the present.

No. 37—St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Company vs. Schirmer.

No. 38—Same vs. Humphreys—Argument commenced.

FORTIETH CONGRESS.

THIRD SESSION.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Monday, Jan. 11.

Mr. CHANDLER presented a joint resolution of the Legislature of Michigan urging the passage of the Copper Tariff bill now pending in the Senate. Laid on the table and ordered printed.

MEMORIALS AND PETITIONS.

Mr. CONNESS presented a memorial of Professors in mining schools and others, praying for the appointment of a commission to visit the mines of Europe and report upon the mode of treating their ores containing the precious metals. Ordered printed and referred to the Committee on Mining.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN presented the petition of citizens of Georgia, setting forth that it is impossible for an avowed Union man to live in the rural districts of that State; that it is impossible to bring to justice the murderers of Union men; that intimidation and force have been used to make a certain class of citizens vote contrary to their interests; that palpable violations of the Fourteenth Amendment are constantly occurring, and that legislation of some kind is absolutely necessary to remedy this state of things. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. CAMERON presented a memorial of the Philadelphia Board of Trade against the further extension of the Bankrupt law. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. HANLAN presented a memorial praying that the preamble to the Constitution of the United States may be amended so as to acknowledge Almighty God as the source of all authority and power in civil government, and the Lord Jesus Christ as the ruler of mankind and His revealed will as the supreme authority. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. RICE presented a memorial of the Legislature of Arkansas for the sale of the Hot Springs Reservation. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Also a joint resolution of the Legislature of Arkansas for aid to build a railroad along the west side of the Mississippi River. Referred to the Committee on the Pacific Railroad.

Mr. TRUMBULL presented a memorial in favor of House bill fixing the duty on copper. He also presented the credentials of H. B. MCMILLEN, Senator elect from Georgia; which were read and referred to the Committee on Credentials.

Mr. CONKLING presented a memorial of the Chamber of Commerce of New-York, recommending that the New-York and London Telegraph Company have permission to land their cable on the shores of the United States. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Also a petition of citizens of the United States asking aid for the establishment of a line of Transatlantic steamers. Also a bill, presented as a part of the petition.

Mr. WRIGHT presented a memorial protesting against the passage of the bill to increase the duty on copper.

Mr. CATTELL presented a memorial of dealers in spirits, asking for a change of the law in regard to bonding spirits. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported adversely upon the claim of JOHN H. RUSSELL to the Hot Springs, Arkansas.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. ANTHONY introduced a bill to define and settle the staff rank in the navy, which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

It provides that the existing regulations of the Navy Department, relating to the rank of the several staff corps of the navy, shall have the force and effect of law; but it is further provided that nothing in this shall be construed so as to authorize any increase of pay over that now received by the several officers of such staff corps, or to confer any right to exercise military command, or title to additional quarters, and that the commanding officer of a station, squadron or ship, shall always have rank and precedence over all officers under his command, when ashore or afloat.

Mr. ANTHONY also introduced a bill to regulate the rank of the medical staff in the navy, which was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

Mr. SHERMAN introduced a bill to amend the act establishing the Judiciary of the United States, approved Sept. 24, 1789. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The bill proposes to amend the said Judiciary act so as to provide that any Judge of any Court of the United States who is now 70 years old, or who shall attain that age, may, upon his written application to the President, be retired upon a life pension equal in amount to his full salary; but if any such Judge shall, for one year after the passage of this bill, or after arriving at the age of 70 years, continue to hold his office, it shall be the duty of the President to nominate and appoint an additional Judge for the same Court, who shall perform the same duties and receive the same compensation as the Judge then acting in such Court or district, and shall, in connection with, and in the absence of his senior associate, hold the Courts prescribed by law.

Mr. RICE introduced a bill to incorporate the Washington Market Company. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Mr. TRUMBULL introduced a bill to provide for the execution of judgments in capital cases. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The bill provides that whenever a judgment of death has been or shall hereafter be rendered in any Court of the United States, and the case has been or shall be carried to the Supreme Court by appeal or writ of error in pursuance of law, it shall be the duty of the inferior Court to postpone the execution thereof from time to time, until the mandate of the Supreme Court shall have been received and entered upon its records. In case such judgment is affirmed by the Supreme Court it shall be the duty of the lower Court rendering the original judgment to appoint a day for the execution thereof; and in case of reversal, such further proceedings shall be had as the Supreme Court may provide. And it is further provided that whenever from any cause whatever, a judgment of death has not been executed on the day appointed therefor by the Court, it shall be the duty of the Court to appoint another day for the execution of such judgment.

Mr. KELLOGG introduced a bill to define the limits of the collection district of the Teche, in Louisiana. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. CORBETT introduced a bill to establish a mail route in Washington Territory. Referred to the Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads.

Mr. NORTON introduced a bill to provide for the construction of a wagon road for military and other purposes through Dakota, Montana and Washington Territories. Referred to Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. HENDRICKS presented a remonstrance against increasing the duties on iron and steel. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

PRIVATE WAR CLAIMS.

The Senate then, on motion of Mr. HOWE, took up the bill for the relief of SUE MURPHY.

Mr. COLE opposed the bill. He thought the Government ought to pay for property taken in all cases where there was a contract expressed or implied, which there was not in this case. The doctrine that loyal citizens in disloyal districts should have their losses paid for by the Government would be a very dangerous one, and would deprive such loyalists of one great motive for exertion against the insurrection.

Mr. FOWLER advocated the payment of the claim of Miss MURPHY because she had always been a loyal citizen, and her property had been taken by the Government for a public use.

Mr. CONKLING remarked that if such claims were to be paid because of the loyalty of the claimants, then if the late Amnesty proclamation should be sustained, their rebel neighbors being thus purged of their disloyalty might come in with similar claims.

Mr. FOWLER did not think that the proclamation, even if valid, could have any such effect, but would speak merely to relieve disloyal persons from the penalties of their disloyalty. He regarded the loyalty of the claimant as a most important circumstance. Would Congress declare that there was no difference between loyalty and disloyalty? His State (Tennessee) was much interested in this question because she had furnished forty thousand loyal soldiers to the Union whose property, much of it, was damaged or destroyed while they were absent fighting the battles of the country; and if they were now to be told that they stood in the same relation to the Government as their rebel neighbors, he warned the Senate and the country that no aid need be expected from them to sustain the faith of the nation pledged to the bondholders. The loyalists of the South would never consent to become the slaves of the money-changers under the miserable doctrine of constructive treason. Mr. POMEROY thought this an unfortunate case for the loyalists of the South to rest their case upon, because there seemed to be no very strong evidence that Miss MURPHY was loyal at all.

Mr. SUMNER read in this connection a letter to him from a Mr. D. HUMPHREY, of Alabama, asserting that the property claimed by Miss MURPHY really belonged to her stepfather, from whom he (HUMPHREY) had bought some of it, and whom nobody claimed to have been loyal; that the property cost before the war, when at its highest value, only $1,500; that he had seen it stated that Miss MURPHY herself had made more rebel harangues during the war in presenting rebel flags than Senator HOWE had made Union speeches.

Mr. ANTHONY said he could not recollect exactly the evidence upon which the Committee had come to the conclusion that she had been loyal during the war, but he had a very distinct recollection that her loyalty had been clearly shown.

Mr. POMEROY read from the report of the Committee, to show the insufficiency of the evidence of her loyalty.

Mr. FOWLER asked him whether there was a particle of evidence of her disloyalty, except the statement of HUMPHREY, who he had no doubt could be shown to be a miserable scamp.

Mr. POMEROY replied that he was not trying to make out a case of disloyalty, but was merely saying that it was an unfortunate test case, because loyalty was not positively proved.

Mr. WARNER said he knew Mr. HUMPHREY to be a reputable gentleman, not as all a "miserable scamp."

Mr. SPENCER felt called upon, the question of HUMPHREY'S character being up, to say that he was a troublesome man in Alabama, and that he knew nothing about Miss MURPHY'S character, and probably had never seen her.

Mr. SPENCER believed that Miss MURPHY had clearly established her loyalty by the testimony of officers of the United States in regard to her loyal character and services.

Mr. POMEROY said that the evidence only showed the loyalty of Miss MURPHY after the arrival of the United States Army, and there was no evidence of previous loyalty. He read some of the testimony given before the Committee on the subject, and a letter from Gen. GRANT to Miss MURPHY, saying that her loyalty had been clearly proved; that her claim seemed to him just, and that if any claims were to be allowed for damages done or property taken by the army in the South, he would recommend that hers should be allowed; but adding that the whole question was to be determined by Congress.

Mr. DOOLITTLE said that at the beginning of the debate upon this claim he was inclined to oppose all such claims, in view of the great amount of money which their payment would involve; but the discussion had forced him to the conclusion that

AFFAIRS IN ENGLAND.

The Last of the Holidays—Scenes in the London Streets—The Curse of Drink—Metropolitan Amusements—A New Theatre—President Johnson's Message.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Saturday, Dec. 26, 1868.

We have happily seen the worst, for this year, of that great flood of sentimental and comic rubbish which is poured forth at Christmas-time. People have had their Christmas, and, to judge from outward appearances this morning, some of them would have been a good deal better without it. The town has been littered during the week with dead bodies of oxen and sheep, all reeking in fat, and consequently deemed eminently suitable to the constitution and taste of Mr. Bull. This mass of flesh was chiefly gorged yesterday, accompanied by the richest of plum puddings and mince pies, forming, altogether, the most horrible invention for the destruction of digestive powers ever yet adopted by a civilized people. The consequences are to be read in the yellow complexions and gloomy looks which are to be met with in the streets to-day. The delightful Christmas Annuals cannot do away with the effects of a half brutish gluttony. But eating is not the the worst of the evils incidental to a season when we are all supposed to be cracking our sides with merriment. It is often said, and I thoroughly believe it, that there is more drunkenness in this country than in any other on the face of the earth. Everybody is very poor, and yet everybody seems to be able to find plenty of money to spend in drink. And then, think of the stuff upon which the bulk of the people get tipsy—beer and gin! Can you wonder that melancholy marks so many Englishmen for her own? In the course of a short walk this morning I must have met hundreds of drunken men and women, nor did they look at all ashamed of their condition. They leered at and jostled against the passers-by, as if it were far more creditable to a man to be drunk than sober. People with scarcely clothes to cover them are reeling about the pavement, and they will continue in this state till the middle of next week. As the negro said, "It is the same old drunk." We have a Reform League for the "emancipation" of workingmen, but I never heard that it has said one word about emancipating them from this dreadful curse of drink. The money which has been spent in strong liquors this Christmas would keep all the poor in London for a month, and clothe them well.

Well, where does the money come from? If the poor are so very poor, how do you account for it that the beer and gin shops are all crowded with them from morning to night? I lately made a visit to the buildings which have been erected for the poor with part of Mr. PEABODY's noble fund. They are in four different quarters of London, and each quarter is forlorn and poverty-stricken to the last degree. The Peabody buildings provide clean and decent homes for persons of humble means, although it may be that much more might be done by a liberal administration of Mr. PEABODY's splendid gift. In going over the buildings I spoke to many of the tenants, and went into their rooms; and although they were all in much the same circumstances, and had been brought up surrounded by similar associations, yet it was easy to tell at the first glance whether the tenant was a drunkard or a sober person. If the rooms were tidily kept, and the children were clean, it was perfectly safe to conclude that the tenant shunned the public house. But if I saw dirty, ragged, uncombed children, playing about in a room which had been made to look like the interior of a small hovel, I knew that the wretchedness was not caused by want of means, but by the fatal despotism which the gin-bottle has gained over so many thousands of our lower classes. It is impossible to help such persons out of the slough in which they are sunk. If you give them money to buy a new pair of shoes for one of their children, they will go as fast as they can to the nearest pot-house and drink the last penny of it away. "Ameliorate the condition of the poor"—yes! but it can never be done until the demon of drink loses his hold upon the hearts and brains of those who, as Mr. GLADSTONE beautifully says, are "our own flesh and blood."

Yet, even if we knew that the money will be spent in a degrading orgie, there is no choice but to give money away at this season. The newspapers exhort us to do it, and one's own inclinations coincide with these somewhat boisterous appeals. Besides, people come round to one's house and levy black-mail in the shape of Christmas boxes, whether one is disposed to give to them or not. Upon the whole, the class which acknowledges itself to be poor, and does not try to educate children, or to live in decent houses and pay its way, seems to me better off at this festive season than the poor householder who is the object of so much wrath. Twice a year a man comes, armed with the authority of the law, and takes from me 200 shillings, professedly for the relief of the poor. I do not mind confessing that I can ill afford to give this money. I am not a millionaire, and I know that there is such a thing as a bottom to a purse, and I have often been surprised at the facility with which it is reached. I could find several ways of spending these 400 shillings annually on my own household. But the money must be given up to the inexorable tax collector, and it would be hard enough to part with it if I knew that it would really and truly be distributed among those who were poorer than myself. But the discouraging part of it all is that I know the money will not be devoted to any such purpose. A great deal of it will be spent in the maintenance of parochial institutions, which only foster professional pauperism, and a portion sticks to the fingers of local Boards, or is apportioned out to enable vestrymen to hold swinish feasts. Can you see nothing calling for reform in all this wrong-doing and confusion? Well, now we have a Government with an immense majority in the House of Commons, presided over by a man who is declared to have unbounded sympathy with the poor, and to be at once the ablest and most liberal-minded man who ever occupied the proud position of Prime Minister. What will this Government do for the people? Will it correct this monstrous system of dragging on a man's hard earnings for heavy rates, two-thirds of which are shamefully squandered? Since it is a democratic Government, will it take off the unjust burden from occupiers of property and lay a part of it upon the owners? I, for one, shall not be disappointed if it does nothing of the kind, but leaves a national scandal exactly where it found it.

METROPOLITAN AMUSEMENTS.

To-day, of course, all London is out in search of amusement. The theatres open with pantomimes or burlesques, and as early as 12 and 1 o'clock this morning people were gathering round the doors of "Old Drury" and Covent Garden, waiting to secure a good place. On Saturday night the theatres are generally crowded, but to-night is "Boxing-night" as well, and there are thousands of Londoners who would not miss going to the theatres on such an occasion for anything you might offer them. These veteran playgoers see every new piece that is brought out, and are very often far shrewder critics than the learned gentlemen who write in the papers. They sit in the pit or gallery, and compare the actor on the stage before them with some one who played the same part, or took the same line of character forty or fifty years ago. It is from them that the applause or hissing generally comes. They hissed Mr. EDMUND YATES' play, called "Tame Cats" clean off the stage. The management spent a large sum of money in the production of this piece, and every effort was made to insure its success. But after a very few nights it was withdrawn. I do not know Mr. YATES, but I am sorry for his misfortune. It is not pleasant to see hard work fail. This afternoon these critics are all waiting round the theatres in the hope of reaching the front row of the pit or gallery. What a crush there will be! What yelling among the gods far away above the boxes, what calls to each other, what showers of orange peel. Last Christmas a man's cap fell on my head as I was sitting in the stalls at Drury Lane, and marveling much at its weight I looked into it. A great supper was snugly stowed away in the greasy lining. I hope the owner of that cap will have an equally good supper to night, and will take better care of it. I did not eat the contribution he favored me with a year ago, but his chances of recovering it were doubtful.

At some of the theatres the managers produce no new piece of any kind to-night. Mr. WEBSTER is the lessee of two houses, the Adelphi and the Olympic, and he offers nothing fresh to the notice of the public. Another new theatre will divide the favors of the public to-night. It is called the "Gaiety," and decidedly is the prettiest and most commodious theatre I have ever seen in any part of the world. The form of the house is at once striking and beautiful, and the decorations are on a scale never before attempted in this country. Programmes, nicely printed and scented, are given away at the doors. There are no male attendants in the house, but young ladies take all work usually performed by them upon themselves. The house is as nearly fire-proof as any house can be made, and the means of exit are numerous and spacious. The performances are varied, and capitally rendered. Altogether, it may now fairly be said that we have one theatre in London to which everybody may go and be well amused, without being called to submit to any of the ordinary inconveniences of a crowded building.

PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S MESSAGE.

The few admirers whom President JOHNSON had left in this country have entirely given him up. That portion of his Message which seems to recommend repudiation is too much for our taste. The papers have been settling the *Alabama* claims among them once more. The knowledge of American affairs ought to be growing more common among all classes, seeing how frequently they are discussed; but I cannot discern signs of great progress at present. A friend of mine has a servant, who is rather a favorable example of her class. She is quick-witted and intelligent. She lately informed my friend (who is an American) that she had lived in service with another American. My friend—"Pray, what part of America did he come from?" Servant, (hesitating)—"Oh! I don't know—from *America*." My friend—"What was he, do you know?" Servant—"His father was Governor of America, and his son was Governor of the United States." My friend was perfectly satisfied, and asked no more questions. I vouch for this as a fact.

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THE "EASTERN QUESTION."

A Wish—The Age of Revolution—The Eastern Question—Russia—Defeat of the Napoleonic idea—Fall of Turkey inevitable—Power of Russia—Duty of Christian Nations.

THE BEECHES, Monday, Jan. 4, 1869.

That special crisis of time, called the "New Year," has passed and gone without any remarkable phenomena. To those readers of the TIMES who honor me with their notice, I wish kindly and sincerely a Happy New Year. I wish I could hear from them, as they hear of me. What a picture of shades and shadows, of sunshine and verdure, of multiplied changes and of passing scenes I should see, and with what sympathy I should regard them! I think some read the TIMES who knew me long years ago, and who read me with a curious interest as they recall that time, when the river of life ran so freshly and so brightly along; when we saw so much of its sparkling beauty and so little of its sands and shoals. How few remember on New-Year's Day that ever day in human life begins a new year; and if it be worth while at all to make reforms and resolutions, and plan improvements and begin enterprises, and rejoice in hope, one day is as fit for it as another.

The sun stops not in his course; God ceases not to speak, and death delays not one moment for any crisis or any day. So it has seemed to me that anniversaries were never of much moment, except as an occasion for some general exhibition of kindness and hospitality. But I pass on. This is not an age of sentiment, but it is one of grave revolution and earnest action; and great as have been the revolutions of the last century, I think those of the coming century will be vastly greater. Many things are drawing to a head which have heretofore been unprepared for the crisis. What the Europeans call the "Eastern Question," in other words, the destiny of the Turkish Empire, is one of them. Its magnitude cannot be exaggerated. The destruction of the Turkish Empire will be one of the events which specially mark the grand revolution now going on in the world. The relations of religion, civilization and politics to the Turkish domination, all show that its destruction is impending, and that it may occur at any moment. I do not agree with the TIMES that the condition of Turkey is of no importance to this country. It is of importance to the whole earth, and its importance is by no means confined to politics. It concerns the civilization and progress of mankind not less than religion and Government. The Turkish Empire covers the fairest portion of the globe, where the garden of the world once was, where its oldest arts and literature were, where it is very evident the garden of the world will again be, when Christian philosophy and arts, as well as Christian religion, shall sweep over those once glorious lands and illume them with the mighty revelation of God. The glorious lands have been laid in ruins and held under the shadow of darkness by the express providence of God, in punishing the idolatrous nations. But is that always to continue? JOHN RANDOLPH said, "The Turk is encamped in Europe." In fact, he is only encamped anywhere. Of all the States and institutions on on earth, none seem, in their very nature, to be so obviously provisional and transitory as that of the Turks. None were so obviously an imposture and a delusion. Paganism was the religion of ignorance; but Mohammedanism had light; nay, in the tenth century it was intellectually the greatest light of the world; and if the Christian would show what a miserable failure is intellectual glory without the revelation of God, he need only point to the mathematicians, poets, orators and philosophers who adorned the Courts of the Caliphs in Spain and Arabia. Thanks be to God that He has shown in the irrevocable records of history that the Gospel of His Son is the greatest enlightening and illuminating influence on this earth.

You say rightly, in the TIMES, that Turkey subsists by the jealousies of England and France—jealousy of Russia, an Empire whose power and development they cannot prevent, and with which they have really nothing to do. Since the time of PETER the Great, Russia has developed more than any other country in Europe in the same space of time. She is now multiplying and strengthening her railroad system, and when that it is completed, as it will be in half a dozen years, it will be no longer in the power of England and France to repeat the iniquity of Sebastopol. In fact, it is England which sustains the dark, anti-civilized Mohammedan Empire of Turkey. What for? For nothing but the vague idea that Russia may march to India. Constantinople was the seat of the Oriental Christian Church—a seat to which she has far more right this day than the Catholic Church has to Rome. The idea that England will sustain Turkey or Egypt much longer, against Christian people, is a vain one. Whether Europe be Republican or Cossack, the attempt to control the East by England and France will soon be broken up. The meaning of the *entente cordiale*,—unnatural, and for the rest of the world injurious,—was exactly that. But the very making of it proves how great the fears of the Treaty Powers, and how vast the advance of Russia. A little more time, and the iniquity of the Amorites will be full. The unity of Germany is one event which will arrest the progress of Napoleonic ideas. CÆSAR and his legions could not march over the Germans; and it is only necessary for Germany to be perfectly united to put an end to French ambition. At present, NAPOLEON, like all cunning people, when confronted by a bold, uncompromising fact, is at a standstill—trying to find some mode of burrowing under it. He cannot, and he turns from war to peace, and from peace to war. It is this which disturbes the political nerves of Europe. As to Russian advance, how is England to prevent it? Russia has recently made one of the greatest advances in her whole progress. She has seized the great Valley of the Amoor, and holds the key of Northern China; made fine harbors on the Sea of Okhotsk and is taking measures to complete the Overland route. At the same time that she is doing this, United States steamers are running on the great central river of China! We shall meet there, and the time is not far distant when the "Eastern Question" will assume far other proportions, than questions about Sebastopol. The Pacific Railroad will soon be completed, and Russia has already marched into Bokhara. If there be any statesman who can translate facts, here is a wide field for his philosophy and his statesmanship. God arranges the great elements of human affairs, so that while the earth is apparently convulsed with the mere antagonisms of Governments, it is in reality governed by the silent forces which only a Divine hand can wield and direct to a great end. The time, I am confident, is near, when the great Mohammedan Empire must disappear. The power of the Roman Pontiff and the Mohammedan Sultan has been gradually waning away. The indications of a revolution in the East are greater and more striking than any which preceded the dissolution of American slavery; yet slavery fell in an hour when it thought not; all the vast array of strength, constitutional, commercial and social, perished in a day.

I do not propose that this country shall go to war, or commit any offence on account of any foreign people; but I do propose that it shall put forth its moral power. Has this nation no moral sentiment? Or has it arrived at that period of moral declension when it dare not say to the world that it is a Christian and a republican people? I am not sure that the last is not the truth, and that the nation which uttered its loud voice in favor of the independence of the South American States, of the revolution in Greece, and of Hungary, no longer dares to proclaim its own honest sentiments. Our energies may have been exhausted in the war. We have arrived at the age of lilliputian statesmen, and it is quite likely of skim-milk sentiment. The great question of the day is how to pay greenbacks without paying them. Whenever the astute doctors of finance arrive at the solution of that problem, I hope they will let me know.

The position of Russia now is such that she only needs railroads to make her entirely invincible in the Oriental World. With one foot on the Amoor, and the other on the Black Sea, she spans a distance double as great as that from New-York to San Francisco, while on the South, commanding the Caspian, she can march her armies to Erzeroum and the Euphrates without difficulty. If Russia were ambitious she would do so, but she really is not, because she has all which ambition can demand. In the meanwhile, England and France, for fear of a Power which shows no desire of conquest—and if it did they could not check—undertakes to uphold the dark, anti-civilized, anti-Christian Power of Mohammed! Do they think to stay the avenging arm of the Almighty when He puts it forth? It is not difficult to see that—that the very progress of arts and freedom will over-throw all such schemes. Russia has now 75,000,000 of people, four-fifths of whom are agricultural, the hardiest race in the world. In the meanwhile we have nearly 40,000,000, free and determined, who have already reached the shores of the Pacific, and are navigating the rivers of China. The avalanche is preparing; and it is as vain as it is anti-Christian, for Christian Powers to attempt to prevent the decline and fall of the Mohammedan imposture.

A VETERAN OBSERVER.

What a Michigan Woman Has Done.

From the Detroit Post, Jan. 9.

We would like to hear a good sound argument against this woman's voting: She lives near Dowagiac, in Van Buren County, in the western part of this State. Eighteen months ago, dressed in man's clothes, she bought 40 acres of land, and promised when her house was completed to reveal her name. In a year and a half, with her own hands, she has built a comfortable frame house; grubbed out 14 acres of heavy oak, and made them ready for the plow, and chopped and split rails, and constructed a fence that is said to be the envy and the admiration of the neighborhood. She has eight acres sown with wheat. She has dug "a superior ditch" on one side of her land. She furnishes her neighbors with shelves and split baskets. She dug up a tree, sawed some runners out with a hand saw, and manufactured a pair of "bob-sleds." She hires a team of her neighbors by doing extra work for them. Two months after her arrival she went into her new house and out of her old clothes, and said her name was ANNA SZARCY. In addition to these remarkable accomplishments, and the conquest of the obstacles we have mentioned, she has had pluck and deftness enough to overcome the disabilities of half a century of age, and the loss of the use of one leg below the knee.

The Pistols Used in the Burr-Hamilton Duel.

(From the Newburg Journal, Jan. 9.)

Yesterday we were permitted to handle the identical pistols used by AARON BURR and ALEXANDER HAMILTON in their famous duel at Weehawken. The pistols are now the property of HARRY ARMSTRONG, Esq., of the town of Newburg. They have been for many years in the possession of Commodore SALTER, U. S. N., recently deceased, and were turned over to Mr. ARMSTRONG this week. They are of the old style of manufacture, flint locks, mahogany stocks, the barrels carrying a half-ounce ball. The barrels are of the "double-and-twist" make. They bear the mark of "J. TWIGGS, London." The pistols resemble each other exactly. The one which was used by BURR, and which sent the death-dealing bullet, is distinguished from its mate by an X on the butt.

These weapons, we are informed, have been used in some ten or a dozen other duels, beside the one with on has made them historically famous. We are not informed how many lives have been sacrificed by the use of them. The last owner cleaned them and fired them off once a month regularly while he lived. It is said that they never miss fire.

Evangelization of the World.

From the Boston Traveller, Jan. 6.

At the annual concert of prayer for foreign missions, held in Park-street Church, on Sunday evening last, the prominent talk was the possibility of evangelizing the whole world in the course of the present century. A contrast was instituted between the state of things at the commencement of this century, and what now exists in relation to Christianity; and the conclusion was reached, that with the present facilities for doing the great work of evangelizing the world, a four-fold increase of men and means would be sufficient to secure the triumph of Christianity over the entire world. That is, it was considered possible to bring every Pagan and anti-Christian nation in the world under the pervading influence of Christianity in thirty years; provided the increase of men and means was fourfold what are now employed, and the rate of improvement which has marked the first two-thirds of the century should continue during the last third of the century.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Swill Milk in Brooklyn—The Troubles of the Sanitary Department of the Board.

The Metropolitan Board of Health met yesterday afternoon, President E. B. LINCOLN occupying the chair.

The Sanitary Superintendent of Brooklyn reported the existence of several extensive swill-milk establishments in that city. One, he said, was in First-street, near North Fourth-street, in which 650 cows were kept, and fed upon swill brought from New-York. As many as 300 steers and bulls for slaughter were also quartered in the same stables. Another stable, containing 200 swill-fed cows, was reported to exist on the east side of Franklin-avenue, near Flushing-avenue. These establishments were said to be in a very filthy condition, and therefore, in themselves, prejudicial to the public health.

The complaints were submitted to the Sanitary Superintendent.

THEODORE VADEIN referred a bill for $369, for services rendered in erecting temporary Quarantine buildings at Seguine's Point, for the accommodation of immigrants, during the prevalence of cholera and ship fever during the Summer of 1866.

The Board declined to honor the bill until the sum of $20,000, advanced by the Board of Health at that time to the Commissioners of Emigration and of Quarantine for the erection of the buildings, should have been returned. The Commissioners, it was said, had promised to refund the money "very soon, but thus far had only paid in about one-half of the amount due.

On motion of prescribing rules of service for the Sanitary Superintendents and Inspectors, the details of which were reported, exclusively, in the TIMES of Wednesday last, was again brought before the Board, and a lengthy and excited controversy was the result.

Commissioner STONE again urged a repeal of the order requiring the Sanitary Superintendent to devote his entire time, and the Inspectors eight hours per day to the work of the Board. The parties affected by the new order felt, he said, that the requirement was unjust, and if the Board insisted upon its enforcement, very many of the most valuable members of the Sanitary force would be compelled to resign. Dr. STONE moved that the order be rescinded, and that four hours' service, daily, be required of the Inspectors, in the work of actual inspection, when they were not otherwise required by the Board. The law, he urged, required that men of "practical skill"—practicing physicians—should be employed for this work, and it would be impossible to get good men who could afford to give all their time, exclusively, to the business of the Board.

Four hours a day inspection would require as many more hours for writing the reports, and it was insisted that the Board should not require anything more of its employes, who had medical practices to be attended to besides.

The Board refused to adopt Commissioner STONE's recommendation, and referred the matter to a committee for further consideration.

Commissioner STONE then submitted the resignations of Sanitary Superintendent E. B. DALTON, and a large number of inspectors, but they were all tabled until the next meeting.

The same Commissioner then moved a resolution inquiring who, if any, of the officers or employes of the Board of Health were engaged in any outside employments, and, if so, what was the nature of them, and by what authority such employments were pursued.

The resolution was adopted.

It was not stated publicly, but it has been ascertained, that the proprietors of slaughter-houses below Fortieth-street, have nearly all complied with the order of the Board for the discontinuance of their business. The Police are looking sharply after the matter.

It was resolved to hold the regular weekly meetings on Mondays, at 1 o'clock P. M., and special meetings on Wednesday and Friday mornings, at 10 o'clock, hereafter.

The Board then adjourned.

Board of Assistant Aldermen—Appointment of Committees—Removing Snow from Broadway.

This Board met at 2 P. M., yesterday. Mr. MONAGHAN in the Chair.

A petition was received to have the Lowe Bridge erected in West-street, at the junction of Corlandt-street.

It was laid over.

Petitions were also received for the rebuilding of piers at the foot of Thirty-eighth-street, East River, and Forty-sixth-street, North River, which were referred to the appropriate Committee.

A resolution was presented giving the use of the rooms in the City Hall, lately used by the County Clerk, to the Clerk of the Board of Assistant Aldermen. It was laid over.

Mr. PINCKNEY said that at the last meeting of the Board a resolution had been presented making inquiry as to a contract for the removal of the snow from Broadway. The Legislature had passed a law in 1868 appointing the Mayor, Comptroller and Street Commissioner a Commission for making a contract for removing the snow from Broadway at a cost not exceeding $100,000. He therefore now offered a resolution requesting the Comptroller to state what had been done in the matter.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The President then announced the following

STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1869.

Arts and Sciences—Hall, Hoffman and Roberts.
Assessments—Petit, Hampson and Cregier.
Croton Aqueduct—Daly, Gibney and Jackson.
Donations—Lynaght, Cunningham and Hoffman.
Ferries—Gibney, Healy and Hill.
Finance—Cullen, Robinson, Cunningham, Reilly and Cregier.
Lamps and Gas—Gibney, Hoffman and Jackson.
Lands and Places—O'Neill, Houghton and Petit.
Law Department—Jackson, Cunningham and Roberts.
Markets—Robinson, Welch and O'Neil.
National Affairs—Healy, Hill, Lynaght, Daly and Pinckney.
Ordinances—Houghton, Riley and Hampson.
Printing and Advertising—Reily, Houghton and Hill.
Public Health—Reily, Jackson and Cregier.
Public Buildings—Hampson, Hoffman and Pinckney.
Roads—Welch, Reilly and Roberts.
Railroads—Hampson, Healy, Hoffman, Houghton and Reilly.
Repairs and Supplies—Hill, Petit, Daly, O'Neil and Cunningham.
Salaries and Offices—Lynaght, Healy and Houghton.
Sewers—Reily, Robinson and Welch.
Streets—Reily, Hampson and Daly.
Street Pavements—Cunningham, Welch and Reilly.
Street Openings—Robinson, Petit and Cullen.
Wharves, Piers and Slips—Cullen, O'Neil, Gibney, Reilly and Cregier.
Joint Committee on Accounts—Daly, Robinson and Pinckney.

Clerk Moloney submitted a communication stating that he had made the following appointments:

Deputy, John Coyle; First Assistant, Wm. Donnelly; Second Assistant, Richard A. Enright; General Clerk, Robert Gamble; Engrossing Clerk, John Ford; Official Reporter, Charles E. Manning; Messenger, James McMenony; Assistant Messenger, Patrick Reed.

The Board then adjourned to Monday next.

Board of Excise.

The Metropolitan Board of Excise held a meeting yesterday afternoon, Commissioner STONE in the chair. Eight cases of alleged violation of the Liquor law were presented for trial, and disposed of as follows:

JOHN J. TALLY, No. 348 Sixth-avenue; dismissed. DAVID KOAPPING, Sixth-avenue, between Sixteenth and Middle streets, Brooklyn; dismissed. JOHN SEIWELL, No. 70 Prince-street; adjourned. HENRY UHLMANN, No. 18 Greene-street; indefinitely postponed. JOHN BRETZ, southwest corner of Union-avenue and Clay-street, Brooklyn; dismissed. HERMANN BUSTER, No. 148 Lewis-street; adjourned. GOTTLIEB LEIX, No. 179 Dusne-street; adjourned. LAWERNCE S. SAMMIS, No. 956 Fulton-avenue, Brooklyn; dismissed.

Eighty-six new licences were granted, and the Board then adjourned until Monday next at 1 P. M.

The New Armory in Williamsburg.

The building of the long-wished for armory for the militia companies in the region of the Sixteenth Ward of Brooklyn, is now commenced. Its site is the corner of the Bushwick Boulevard and Stagg-street, E. D. The heavy foundation walls rest upon solid slabs of blue stone, seven feet in length by fourteen inches in thickness. To obviate strains and cross-strains, and to cover the heaviest demands to be made upon the building for the purposes intended, the drill-room, as an exception to those of other armories, will be, as stated, upon the first floor. The propriety of such arrangement is shown in the condition of the armory in Fourth-street, occupied by the Forty-seventh Regiment, where the main pressure is on the second floor. It will be built in the early English Gothic style, and of Philadelphia brick and Dorchester stone, resting upon a granite base four feet in height. The drill-room will be upon the first floor, and will be 80 by 94 feet, 35 feet in height, and with a direct entrance on the Boulevard. On the same floor, and opening into the drill-room by wide arches, will be the artillery-room, extending the full depth of the building. On the other side of the drill-room, and facing Stagg-street, will be the rooms for the armorer, officers, non-commissioned, staff, &c., while there will be a capacious vestibule at the angle of the building, with an entrance from each street. A broad corridor will skirt these rooms, and will lead by wide sliding doors to the drill-room. On the second story will be arranged the various company rooms, which will be large and lofty, and ventilated upon an entirely new plan. An excellent feature of the drill-room will be its freedom from pillars and other obstructions, while it will be lighted by large domes in the ceiling. A balcony for the accommodation of spectators will extend around the room, while upon one side of the room and in the centre will be a broad alcove for the military bands. The east end of the building will be boldly marked by a tower to be constructed to a considerable height above the roof. A heavy embattled cornice will surmount the building, supported by deeply splayed arches. The four principal entrances to the building, three will be 125 feet on the Boulevard by 100 feet on Stagg-street, are to be attractive—no plan forms, steps, &c., to be of Dix Island granite. In the construction of this building, special attention will be given to the solidity of it, which rule has been thus far strictly observed.

THE ROGERS MURDER.

The Case Still Surrounded by Mystery—The Pursuit in Full Force.

The public mind was still considerably exercised yesterday in relation to the Rogers murder, and the repeated failures by the Police to arrest the real culprit. The details of the murder were gone over in conversation, and the singular fact commented upon that in two instances men suspected of complicity or action in the murder of Mr. ROGERS, have come forward voluntarily and surrendered themselves to the Police for examination. Both TOLLAND and LOGAN remain in close confinement at the Mercer-street Police Station awaiting the examination they both profess to be anxious for, and meanwhile the Police seem to be at their wits' end to discover a clue that will lead them to a more profitable end than the two they have so far exhausted to such little purpose. There is some good reason, no doubt, for keeping the man TOLLAND in custody, yet if he is not proven guilty of participation in the murder, or is unable to assist the Police in their search, or aid the ends of justice, the authorities will find it difficult to recompense him for his continued detention in a Police cell.

LOGAN remains in the same confident mood as has characterized him since he surrendered himself on Saturday night, and he seems to anticipate a speedy release from his present unpleasant position. Of course no direct communication could be had with LOGAN, and the readers of the TIMES are, therefore, deprived of any knowledge of his private views on the question of the murder, or his being suspected of the crime. The Police aver that he is no doubt wrongly suspected, and, as they are now taking up the threads of another entanglement of the mystery, the probability is that the Coroner will assume the responsibility, as he did in the case of the arrest of the other JAMES LOGAN, from Hoboken, and discharge him from custody. So much has already resulted from the proclamation of Mayor HALL, that it is not unlikely that the Police will eventually receive the cooperation and assistance of those who may be in possession of trace evidence, such as a knowledge of the purchaser of the torn coat, the ownership of the abandoned hat, or the presence of the knife used in the murder and belonging to the sheath thrown away by the assassin. It is to be sincerely hoped that Capt. CAFFREY and his officers may be enabled to put themselves in communication with such persons, else the probability of arresting the murderer will be more remote than ever. The person who was with the assailant of Mr. ROGERS, who feebly expostulated with him before the crime was committed, is now being searched for, and he may possibly be unearthed or induced to come forward as State's evidence. No further developments in the case were made yesterday.

The Old North Dutch Church in Fulton-street—Its Probable Removal.

The North Dutch Church, on the corner of Fulton and William streets, may be removed before very long, to make way for stores. The consistory has not fully decided to take this step, but is inclining that way. The old building is interesting as being the only church edifice, except St. Paul's Chapel, now used for religious purposes in New-York which dates back to a period prior to the Revolutionary War. The Collegiate Reformed Dutch Church of New-York is the mother church of the denomination in this country. For more than a century and a half it was the only Dutch church in the City, and as the population increased, it multiplied its pastors and places of worship, and so obtained the title Collegiate, though this title does not appear on the records, and has no official authority.

The first minister was Rev. EVERARDUS BOGARDUS, who came from Holland in 1633 and preached in Dutch. In 1764 Rev. Dr. ARCHIBALD DAIDLIE was installed for the benefit of those who required a service in English. The church of New-York began its services in 1626 in an upper room over a horse-mill, but after a few years erected a plain wooden building near what is now called Old-slip. In 1642 a large stone edifice was put up within the Fort, on the ground now known as the Battery. Fifty years later the congregation moved to a new building in Garden-street. After a second place of worship had been built in Nassau-street in 1729, and a third on the corner of Fulton and William streets in 1769, the first was called the South, the second the Middle and the last the North Church, and the latter retains its name, although it has long been the southernmost of all the Dutch churches on the island, the Garden-street church having been destroyed in the great fire of December, 1835, and the Nassau-street Church having been given up to other religious purposes in 1844. For sixty or seventy years after the North Church was built it was crowded with worshipers, but as families yearly moved up town, the regular congregation diminished, and at last the church became reduced to mere skeleton. In view of this fact, the consistory resolved, in 1857, to make the church a centre for missionary efforts, and Mr. JEREMIAH DAUPHIER was appointed laymissionary. He proceeded, in July, 1857, to visit the neighboring district, to invite strangers to the services and to gather children into a Sunday School, and he met with great success. In September, 1857, he commenced the Fulton-street prayer meetings in the consistory building in the rear of the church. These prayer meetings have been kept up to the present day, with no diminution of enthusiasm; and they have also served as models for similar enterprises in other places.

In regard to the moval of the church it is not proposed to remove to another site, but simply to take down the church and put stores in its place. Its function is to be supplied by extending the second story room in the consistory building, now used for the prayer meetings, to reach from Ann-street to Fulton-street, thus providing a very large chapel, in which the prayer meetings and Sunday School and Sunday services are to be carried on as long as Manhattan Island contains any inhabitants.

Houdon's Statue of Washington for the Central Park.

For several years past a copy in bronze of HOUDON's statue of WASHINGTON has stood in the Governor's Room in the City Hall. The owners of the statue, the widow and children of the artist HUBARD, have repeatedly offered it to the City authorities for $10,000, but without success, and now it has been determined to place it temporarily in the National Academy of Design, where subscriptions will be received for its purchase, and it will then be placed in the Central Park.

In 1784 the Legislature of Virginia passed a resolution "requiring the image of WASHINGTON to be made in the purest marble, by the most eminent sculptor in Europe." HOUDON, then at the height of his fame, was selected as the artist, and he at once came over to this country and proceeded to Mount Vernon, where he took casts of WASHINGTON's face and whole person. With these he returned to Paris, where the statue was cut. It represents the General, who was then 53 years of age, in civilian's garb, his right hand resting on a walking-cane and his left on a bundle of rods or *fasces*. The left foot is advanced and the hand is thrown somewhat back, imparting to the figure an air of dignity and command.

The original statue, for which $30,000 were paid, stands in the Capitol at Richmond. By permission of the Virginia Legislature three bronze copies of it were taken by the artist HUBARD. One is at Raleigh, another in the grounds of the College at Lexington, and the third was yesterday removed from our City Hall to the National Academy of Design. The statue, which weighs over two tons, was taken from the Governor's Room to the east window of the corridor, and thence lowered to one of HERRING's trucks, Mr. HERRING having offered to convey it free of all cost to the Academy of Design.

War in Oysterdom.

Liberty-street dock, North River, was the scene of quite a battle this morning—in fact, a "war of races." Two oyster schooners, the *Mary Bartlett* and *Chesapeake*, have been lying side by side for several days past. This morning the *Bartlett* weighed anchor preparatory to proceed on her regular cruise, and in getting under headway, ran foul of the *Chesapeake*, which accident caused the crew of of the latter to use abusive language. The helmsman of the *Bartlett* retorted, when a general fusilade on both sides commenced with belaying pins, pieces of wood, oyster shells, &c., and anything they could lay their hands upon. The men of the *Chesapeake* getting the worst of the fight, both in words and missiles, determined to board the enemy in true man-of-war style, and did so, but after a short and spirited battle were compelled to seek their own craft with bloody noses. A large, muscular Irish woman of the *Mary Bartlett* entered lists to "repel boarders," and performed prodigies of valor with a huge bludgeon. JAMES SIMS, of the assailing party, was pretty well used up. Both sides continued until they were separated, when the *Bartlett* went on her way, the men and spectators groaning and testifying their contempt for their ignominious defeat. By the time this singular and highly amusing fight had ended full one hundred people were lookers-on, but not one policeman made his appearance on the scene.

The New Building of the New-York Dispensary.

The old building of the New-York Dispensary erected in 1836, at the corner of White and Elm streets, has been pulled down. About seven years after the building was erected, Centre-street was widened and the building was necessarily raised five feet and put back fifteen feet. By this removal it was so much injured as to require extensive repairs, and last year it became necessary to take it down. In its place a new and substantial structure of brick, three stories in height, with a Mansard roof, is being erected. The new building is about sixty feet by forty-five. The lower floor will be let out as stores, and the upper floors devoted to dispensary purposes. It will probably be finished in April next, and will cost about $60,000. In order to raise funds for the erection of the new building, the trustees of the Institution have made very liberal contributions, and collections have been made outside. The sum necessary, however, for the completion of the building is still short about $15,000.

The Dispensary was organized in 1790, and was the first established in this country. Since its establishment it has afforded relief to a million and a quarter of sick poor, and its physicians have vaccinated 130,000 persons. During 1868 36,049 patients received medical attendance—28,516 at the Dispensary, and the remainder at their homes.

Last evening an election for trustees of the Dispensary was held at the Arsenal in Elm-street, where rooms have been kindly placed at the disposal of the managers of the Institution by Col. TALLER, of the First Artillery. The following gentlemen were elected:

James F. De Peyster, Caleb Swan, Edmund Penfold, Gurdon Buck, M. D., James W. Beekman, Benjamin H. Field, Adam Norrie, D. Colden Murray, R. B. Campbell, Richard T. Auchmuty, Charles C. Goodhue, James S. Aspinwall, William H. Draper, M. D.

Contributions are earnestly solicited, and may be sent to Mr. D. COLDEN MURRAY, No. 61 Fourth-street, the Treasurer, or any of the trustees, as above.

The Brooklyn Water Works.

When the Ridgewood water was introduced into Brooklyn in 1859, the consumption averaged but two and a half million gallons a day. It now averages fifteen millions, and in cold weather nearly twenty millions, on account of the numerous pipes that are allowed to run, in order to avoid their freezing. The six artificial ponds on the south side of Long Island, which supply the Ridgewood reservoir at East New-York, have a capacity of but about twenty-five millions a day. A necessity therefore arises of preparing one of the uncleared ponds owned by the Company. Those now used, and from which the mud has been removed, are one at Jamaica, one at Springfield, one near Valley Stream, another near Pearsall's Corner, and two at Rockville Centre, 19 miles from New-York. The beautiful neighborhood of this latter place is prolific in streams, and possesses another sheet of water 40 acres in extent, called Smith's Pond, upon the dam of which is a grist mill. It was bought by the Water Works Company in 1852 for $13,000. During next Spring the mud is to be cleaned from it, and a bank of gravel raised around, to be bordered by a fence, as is the case with the other ponds appropriated. The expense of cleaning will be $10,000. Two additional ponds are owned by the Company near Freeport, twenty-five miles from New-York, and are held in reserve in their primitive state. A pond, after being once cleaned, needs recleaning but once in three or four years, the expense being about $3,000. The streams along Southern Long Island are of unusual clearness, and throughout the entire length of the coast create a succession of artificial ponds, which form a leading charm of the scenery. The Water Company, in time, will probably be compelled to buy an additional number, and extend their conduits, perhaps, as far as Patchogue, fifty miles distant. The entire expense of the Department to date has been $7,500,000.

The City Pneumatic-Dispatch Project.

We are credibly informed that a company of English capitalists, having a large experience in like matters, are upon the eve of establishing a pneumatic-dispatch company in this City, for the transmission of letters, packages and other light articles from point to point. The details of the project are carefully withheld by the Company for the present, but it is understood that they have leased the basement of Messrs. DEVLIN & Co.'s building, corner Broadway and Chambers-street, at a yearly rent of $4,000, as a starting point for the enterprise. Thence a tube will be extended to the vicinity of the Nassau-street Post Office, and will be laid at once. Then, if the experiment should prove as successful as the initiatory one in London, tubes will be laid all over the City. The necessary machinery has been purchased, and it is said that the work of constructing the line will be commenced at once.

POLICE COURTS.

THE TOMBS—HOGAN, JUSTICE.

A BURGLAR.

which it would involve would not be followed with corresponding advantages.

THE WALLABOUT IMPROVEMENT.—There are $400,000 standing to the credit of the Wallabout Commission, and the Aldermen are anxious to understand who, if any person, receives the interest thereon.

EXTENSION OF THE FIRE LIMITS.—The Board of Aldermen yesterday extended the fire limits of the city so as to include the Seventh Ward, bounded by Bedford, Washington, Lafayette and Gates avenues.

WILLIAMSBURG GAS.—The Board of Aldermen yesterday adopted a resolution authorizing the Williamsburg Gas Company to lay their mains from Broadway to Myrtle-avenue Park.

THE VALUE OF THE CITY BONDS.—The Aldermen have instituted an inquiry as to the value of the city bonds—whether they are par or in excess thereof.

A CHURCH SOLD IN WILLIAMSBURG.—It is understood that Rev. Father MCDONALD has purchased the Baptist Church in Leonard-street, near Grand, E. D., and has sold it to a French congregation.

CAB PICKPOCKETS.—Miss NORTON, a lady from Connecticut, who was traveling in one of the Greenpoint cars, on Sunday evening, had her pocket picked of a wallet containing about $20.

EXPERIENCES IN SOUTHERN MILITARY PRISONS.—This will be the subject of a paper to be read by Col. HORNER B. SPRAGUE before the Historical Society, this evening.

MUNICIPAL STATIONERY.—According to the action of the Aldermen yesterday, the stationery for the use of the Municipal Departments for 1869 is to cost $4,000.

"LIFE WORK."—Mr. C. W. L. F. MORROW, Esq., will read an essay on "Life Work," before the Young Men's Christian Association, this evening.

DIME SAVINGS BANK.—On Saturday the Dime Savings Bank received upward of $73,000 from 1,040 depositors.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS FOR TUESDAY.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM.

Held by Clerke, P. J., Sutherland and Barnard, JJ.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Non-enumerated Motions.

Nos. 75—Matez et. al. vs. Spotts et al.

Preferred Causes and Enumerated Motions.

Nos. 1—Lopeland vs. Racoon Mountain Coal Co. 2—Jackson vs. Second-av. R. R. Co. 10—Fenenden vs. Swift. 12—Willets et al. vs. Sun Mutual Ins. Co. 13—Tod Mayor, &c., vs. Boppork et al. 14—Olmstead, President, &c., vs. Ackerman. 15—Overton vs. Long Island R. R. Co. 16—Willets et al. vs. Sun Mutual Ins. Co. 40—Bradley, ex'r, &c., vs. Mutual Benevolent Life Ins. Co. 41—Frith et al. vs. Campbell et al. 42—Hughes et al. vs. Renshall. 44—Bishop vs. Taggari et al.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.

Held by Cardozo, J.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Reserved Cases.

Nos. 71—Moser vs. Legare. 106—Karcher vs. Femholtz. 128—Clark vs. Thomas et al. 131—Christian vs. Lanty. 142—Cumings vs. Gregg, Jr. 168—Kemble et al. vs. McHenry. 172—In re Jacob Korn. 179—In re. Hurlbut, &c. Call No. 205—Manning vs. Hallen.

COMMON PLEAS—GENERAL TERM.

Held by Daly, F. J., Brady and Barrett, JJ.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

General Term calendar continued.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Calendar called by Gross, J., at 10 A. M.

Nos. 1376—Rosenfield vs. Rieser. 1262—Taylor vs. Crawford. 1256—Martin vs. Staples. 1349—Culver vs. Smith. —Potter vs. Appel. —Potter vs. Appel. —Potter vs. Appel. —Saltonstall vs. Beck. 1384—Pyke vs. Berse. 1391—Trabert vs. Burkeson. —Quinn vs. Hastings. 1325—Marrifield vs. Travis. 989—Miller vs. Levy. —Waters vs. Brady. 1287—Bishop vs. Gregg. 1284—Lynch vs. Meyers. 1301—Aub vs. Hoffman. 1306—Gallazher vs. Brown. 1320—Gorth vs. Runk. 13.1—Loudon vs. Colt. 1322—Buckner vs. Baumbach. 1325—Fluss vs. Dorling. 1334—Kahn vs. Watts. —Funck vs. Gwinol. 1370—Clark vs. Gillespie. 1385—Stenhouse vs. Putnam. 1903—Viller vs. Bertrand. 1304—Stanford vs. Hunter. 1325—Campbell vs. Pickett. 1386—Sanger vs. Reilly. 1397—Porter vs. Cohen.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

PERSONAL PROPERTY — DOMICILE — CONVEYANCE — DOMICIL OF OWNER, AS BETWEEN CITIZENS OF THE SAME STATE—JURISDICTION OF THE STATE COURTS AS TO THEIR CITIZENS AND LAWS.

Green vs. *Van Buskirk et al., and Tillinghast vs. Same.*—These cases present the same facts and questions of law, and are argued together. One Bates being the owner of certain iron safes at Chicago, on the 3d of November, 1859, executed and delivered in the State of New-York, to Van Buskirk and others, a chattel mortgage of them. On the 5th day of the same month, Green caused to be levied on the safes a writ of attachment, sued out of the proper Court in Illinois, against the property of Bates. The attachment suit proceeded to judgment, and the safes were sold in satisfaction of Green's debt. Green's attachment was levied on the safes as the property of Bates before the possession was delivered to Van Buskirk, and before the mortgage from Bates to him was recorded, and before notice of its existence. Van Buskirk afterward sued Green in the New-York Courts for the value of the safes thus sold under his attachment, and Green pleaded the proceeding in the Court of Illinois in bar of the action. In the suit brought in the New-York Court's, Van Buskirk obtained judgment, which was subsequently affirmed by the highest Courts of the States. Writ of error was taken to this Court, in which a motion was made to dismiss for want of jurisdiction. This Court held that the New-York Court necessarily decided what effect the proceedings of attachment in Illinois had by the law and usage of that State, and that, having decided against the claim set up by the plaintiff in error, this Court had jurisdiction under the clause of the Constitution, which declares "that full faith and credit shall be given in each State to the public acts, records and judicial proceedings of every other State," and the act of 1790, which declares that such proceedings shall have the same faith and credit given to them in other States as that in which the proceedings were had. The motion to dismiss was overruled, and the Court said that the question was to be decided by the effect given by the law of Illinois, where the property was situated, to the proceedings in the Courts of that State, under which it was sold. It is therefore contended by plaintiffs in error, that as the law of Illinois provides that "no mortgage on personal property shall be valid as against the rights and interest of any third person, unless possession of such property shall be delivered to and remain with the mortgagee, or the mortgage shall be acknowledged and recorded," and contain a provision for the possession of the property to remain with the mortgagor; it is manifest that the assignment or transfer of the safes to the defendants in error to secure their debt, unaccompanied by possession, was invalid, and wholly inoperative to protect the property sought to be conveyed, from attachment. It was in no respect such a transfer as would protect the property against the claims of third persons, while it remained in Bates' possession. It was neither acknowledged or recorded, nor did it contain the provision that the property might remain with the mortgagor, as the statute requires. The Courts of Illinois, in construing this statute, have held, if the mortgage of personal property cannot be acknowledged, as required by the act, before a Justice of the Peace in the district in which the mortgagor resides, then there is no way to make such mortgage effective, except to deliver the property. Notice of such mortgage, not recorded, will not prevent a creditor from attaching and holding the property. The defendants in error insist that the Courts of New-York had supreme right to govern its citizens, by its own laws, and determine thereby the effect of Bates' sale. To deny this sovereign right of the New-York Courts, to determine the effect of Bates' sale by the New-York law of sales, instead of that of Illinois, would be to assert either that the New-York law of sales, or the doctrine that sales of movables are governed by the law of the owners' domicil, as against citizens of the same State, violates the Federal Constitution. This is a question of international and commercial law, say counsel, and that this Court will affirm the world-wide doctrine that sales and dispositions of personal property, whether inter vivos or post mortem are governed by the law of the owners' domicil, cannot be well doubted.

Amasa J. Parker and Lyman Trumbull for plaintiffs in error, and John K. Porter for defendants in error.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW-YORK.

Before Judge Benedict.

THE DE PUY CASE.

The United States vs. *Jacob De Puy and Moses De Puy.*—The trial of this case was resumed yesterday morning by the Government calling *Walter L. Sanford*, a Sergeant of Police, Twenty-first Precinct, who testified that in last June he had a conversation with Jacob De Puy in regard to the seizure of the premises in Forty-fifth-street; De Puy said he knew all about it, as he was there at the time the whisky was removed, and that the parties who had taken the whisky had $1,200 to fix things with; that is to give to the officer who seized the whisky if he would let it go.

Several other witnesses were called and examined by the Government, but no new facts were elicited, but their testimony strongly corroborated the evidence previously given on the part of the Government. An affidavit made by Moses De Puy on the 1st of July last was introduced and read in behalf of the Government. In it De Puy acknowledged that he had helped load the whisky taken from the premises in Forty-fifth-street, and that at the time he knew the whisky to be under seizure.

After considerable discussion upon the admissibility of this affidavit, and the introduction of other affidavits made by the same party, the Court held that the affidavit read was admissible and all others not.

The Government here rested their case, and Mr. McCarthy, of counsel for defence, opened the case in behalf of the defendants, and the case was then adjourned until to-day at 11 A. M.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW-YORK.

Before Judge Blatchford.

THE STEVENSON COTTON CASE.

The United States vs. *Vernon K. Stevenson.*—This case was resumed yesterday, the Government occupying the entire day in examining witnesses in their behalf.

UNITED STATES COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE.

Before Commissioner Owen.

THE LICHTENHEIM AND HOYM CASE.

United States vs. *David Lichtenheim.*—This case was resumed yesterday morning. The defendant, an inspector of internal revenue, was charged with levying black mail upon Oscar Hoym, a cigar dealer. It had been stated by the Government witnesses that a quantity of cigars had been sent by Hoym from Freund's store to Lichtenheim, in part payment of the $1,000 claimed by Lichtenheim from Hoym for settling a charge against the latter for selling cigar stamps that had been used. The defence testified that no such cigars were sent. On cross-examination, however, witnesses for the defence were unable to swear that the cigars were not sent. They were simply able to assert that they were not aware of the cigars being received by Mr. Freund, and thought they would have known the fact had it occurred.

A further hearing was adjourned until Friday next.

Before Commissioner Betts.

THE ALLEGED CUSTOMS FRAUDS.

United States vs. *Gutermann Brothers.*—This case had been set down for a hearing yesterday, but was postponed until Thursday morning.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM—JAN. 11.

ADMISSIONS TO THE BAR.

Mr. Lewis M. Coates, late an attorney and counsellor of the State of Pennsylvania, was to-day admitted to practice in all the Courts of this State, on motion of Judge Monerief. On the 7th inst. Mr. George W. Searle, late of Massachusetts, was admitted to practice, on motion of Mr. Chas. A. Peabody.

SUPERIOR COURT—GENERAL TERM—JAN. 11.

Before Judges Monell, Jones and Fithian.

THE CHURCH-STREET EXTENSION.

The New-York Rubber Company, appellants, vs. *Theodocius Strang, respondent.*—On or about the 6 th of February, 1866, the appellants leased from respondent the premises No. 108 Liberty-street for a period of two years and nine months, from May 1, 1866. Subsequently, and before the expiration of the lease, the City Corporation, by virtue of the act of 1813, took steps to extend Church-street, and the report of the Commissioners was confirmed 30th December, 1867, in which was embraced the property so leased by respondents.

Except to the extent of the foregoing proceedings, the property and its occupancy remained in all respects the same as before, no money having been paid to the respondent. On this state of facts the respondent as plaintiff brought suit against appellants for one quarter's rent up to Feb. 1, 1868. The appellants set up in their answer that, by operation of the confirmation of the report of the commissioner, the title in fee, together with all rents and profits, &c., became vested in the City. Judgment was rendered in favor of the plaintiff for the amount claimed, on the ground that the act of 1813 was unconstitutional so far as it was claimed to vest a title in fee in the City, except where the property was necessary for public use, was so used, and actual compensation made therefor. From this judgment appeal was taken. Irwin argued in behalf of respondents that the City, under such proceedings, does not acquire a fee simple absolute in the property, but merely takes it in trust for certain public uses, and until applied to such use and compensation made therefor the title still vests in the original owner, and with it the right to all rents and profits accruing thereon. The cause was elaborately argued on both sides, and decision reserved. Lee & Alvord for appellants; Mann & Parsons for respondents.

THE SIXTH DISTRICT COURT.

Before Thaddeus H. Lane, Justice.

LANDLORD AND TENANT CASE—WHAT CONSTITUTES AN EVICTION.

Herman vs. *Lizzie G. Fillette.*—This was a summary proceeding to recover possession of the "Coles Mansion," in Fifteenth-street near Fifth-avenue, for non-payment of the first quarter's rent, amounting to $1,660. The tenant pleaded that the landlord had built two houses, one on each side of the demised premises, and in doing so had cut off a portion of the bay window and balcony, and also shut off light and air from certain parts of the building. The tenant admitted, however, that she had remained in possession the entire term; had used the premises as a boarding-house, and had not suffered any pecuniary loss through such acts of the landlord. The landlord contended that this did not amount to an eviction. That at most it was only an injury to the beneficial enjoyment, which was no bar to an action for rent, the tenant remaining the entire period in possession of the premises, and carrying on her business without detriment. The Court gave judgment for the landlord.

A. N. Blumenstiel, attorney for landlord; Judge A. J. Requier, attorney for tenant.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—JAN. 11.

By Judge Ingraham.

Hoyt vs. Reilly, &c.; motion granted.

Sandford, vs. Buckman; motion granted for a new referee; residue denied.

By Judge Sutherland.

In the matter of the petition of Robert M. C. Graham et al.; motion granted; order to be settled on notice; the question of costs reserved until the settlement of the order. (See opinion.)

The Stuyvesant Bank vs. Felix F. Delacroix; motion denied, without costs.

By Judge Cardozo.

Saltus vs. Lockwood; case and amendments settled.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—JAN. 11.

By Chief Justice Barbour.

The Central National Bank of New-York vs. John Nicolson; motion granted.

The East River Bank vs. Thomas Kennedy; taxation of cost by Clerk affirmed.

Martin W. Brett et al. vs. William C. Aman et al.; motion granted with costs.

Alexander Lovell vs. P. F. Crouch et al.; motion granted.

Richard L. Campbell vs. Augustus Waterman et al.; motion granted.

The Hope Marine Insurance Company vs. Dennis Perkins; motion granted,

The Same vs. Mary Taylor, executrix, &c.; motion granted.

By Judge McCunn.

William McKinley vs. American Exchange Bank; judgment for defendant.

Thomas Harton vs. Mary Hatton; motion granted, with $10 costs.

By Judge Jones.

N. Mendel Shafer vs. James W. Guest; motion denied without costs to either party, without prejudice to renew on amended papers.

The Florence Sewing Machine Company vs. William K. Warford et al.; case returned for correction.

Joanna A. L. Stuyter vs. George E. Williams; case returned for correction.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM—JAN. 11.

By Judge Brady.

Bliss vs. Coleman; motion denied, but without costs.

Meeks vs. Voorhis; this motion is denied upon the ground that the defendant offered to pay the judgment.

By Judge Daly.

Murray vs. Williams; the demurrer to the second and third defences in the answer is well taken.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before Judge Bedford.

The calendar was unusually large yesterday. Eli Owens, a colored man, was charged with entering the house of Francis Grim, a bootmaker, of No. 54 Water-street, on the 26th of December, and stealing $50 worth of clothing. The prosecutor was examined, and identified the property. Mr. Levine, Jr., whom the Court appointed to defend the prisoner, said, that although the clothing was found in possession of the prisoner, there was no evidence that he had stolen it, and that he should therefore have the benefit of the doubt. The District-Attorney said the case was plain against the prisoner, and the jury returned a verdict of guilty of grand larceny, without leaving their seats. He was sentenced to four years in the State Prison.

In the case of James S. Walsh and Thomas Burns, charged with knocking down Mr. Shilling, a ship's steward, on the 31st of December, and robbing him of his coat and waistcoat, the prisoners pleaded guilty of assault, with intent to rob. Walsh, as the leader of the assault and possessor of the property, was sentenced to seven years in the State Prison, and Burns to three years.

Margaret Sweeny and Catherine Ackerson pleaded guilty to stealing $40 worth of goods from the store of Messrs. De Bost, and were sent to the State Prison for three years and a half.

William Murphy, a youth, was indicted for assaulting John Kearney. He pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to the State Prison for one year, and a fine of $100.

Henry Mathews pleaded guilty to stealing two coats from the premises of a Mr. Fair, and was sent to the State Prison for two years.

Michael Garland was accused of breaking open the trunk of a fellow-boarder and stealing clothes. He was in the employ of Mr. Henry B. Mott, a carriage manufacturer, who gave him a very good character. He was convicted of petty larceny, and was sent to the Penitentiary for six months.

No other cases were ready for disposal, and the Court then adjourned.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—JAN. 11, 1869.

$10,000 U. S. 6s, '81, C.	112¼	600 Canton Co	53¾
1,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '64.	103	200 do	53¾
small	103½	300 West. U. T.	94
10,000 do large	103¾	100 do	93¾
25,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '65	103¾	100 do	93¾
small	103¾	100 Mar. & Pf.	93½
8,000 U. S. 5-20 R. '65, new	103½	300 Pac. Mail	122¾
39,500 U. S. 5-20, C., '65, new	103½	100 do	122¾
5,000 do	103½	10 Del. & Hud. Can. Co.	123
20,000 do	103½	best call	123
5,000 Oregon War L'n, ¾ yearly	100	20 Adams Ex	48¾
10,000 U. S. 6s, Cur.	108½	80 Wells-Farge Ex.	18¾
10,000 do	101	200 Merch. U. Ex.	15
27,500 U. S. 5-20 C., '67,	108½	200 do	15
50,000 do	108½	100 N. Y. Central	156¾
100,000 do	108½	200 do	156¾
19,000 do	108½	20 do	156¾
50,000 do	108½	100 do b30	157¾
50,000 do	108½	900 Erie	39¾
54,000 U. S. 5s, 10-40 C.	103½	100 do	39¾
2,000 Brook. & P. L.	93	100 do b60	39¾
5,000 Tenn. 6s, new	68¾	200 do	39¾
120,400 do	68¾	200 Hudson R	138
2,000 do	68¾	200 Harlem	138
5,000 do best call	68¾	5 N. Y. & N. H.	135
4,000 do 2d call	69¼	200 Reading	94½
15,000 Tenn. 6s, 6s, c. s. bet. call	69¾	100 do	94½
1,000 Virginia 6s, new	67	15 Mich. Cen. bet. call	115½
10,000 Va. 6s, 6s, ex c. bet. call	65	22 Mich. Sou.	91½
70,000 do	65	200 do	90¾
10,000 N. Car. 6s, 6s, new, s10	62¼	200 do	90¾
6,000 Missouri 6s, H. & St. Jo. Is.	67½	200 do	90¾
3,000 Missouri 6s, 6s	67½	800 Cle. & Pitts.	89¾
14,000 La. State 6s	72	50 do	89¾
40,000 La. 6s, Levee Bds.	67½	100 do	89¾
10,000 do	67¾	600 Lake Shore	101
20,000 do	67½	100 do	101¾
3,450 Georgia State 7s	91½	200 Clev. & Tol. bet. call	103½
1,000 Cal. 7s	126	20 Chi. & R. I.	125
10,000 Ala., St. 5s	86	50 do	125¾
1,000 N. Car. 7s, '76	90	100 do	125¾
4,000 Erie 3d M.	93	300 do	125¾
1,000 Alt. & T. H. 2d, Pref.	83¼	100 do b10	125
5,000 C. & N. W. C. O. Bds.	92½	100 Mil. & St. P.	77¾
4,000 Gt. West. 2d M.	77¾	50 do	91¾
7,050 C. & R. I. & P. E. R. S.	93	50 do	91¾
4,000 do	93¾	400 Tol., W. & W.	92
2,000 Mor. & Es. 1st	94	100 do	62¾
5,000 Ohio & M. 1st	93	100 C. O. Cin. & Ind.	78¾
1,000 Clev. & P. 4th	74½	10 Tol. & W. Pref.	75
1,000 Chic. & Mil. 1st	89	100 New-Jersey Cen.	114¾
37,000 Mar. T. 10s, Cpts	89	40 do	114¾
5,000 C., C. & I.C. 1st	76	40 Alt. & T. H. Pf	65¾
5,000 do	76¾	200 do	65¾
3,000 do	76¾	100 do	65¾
100 Cum. Coal Pf.	35	100 Ohio & Miss.	34¾
103 do	34¾	50 do	34¾
10 Bank of N. Y.	112	100 H. & St. Jo. Pf.	98¾
30 Cent. Nat. Bank	103½	50 Chi. & Alton	148
5 Tenth Nat. Bank	96	26 Chi. & Alton Pf.	148
25 Bank of Commerce	120		

SECOND BOARD—12½ P. M.

$30,000 U. S. 6s, '81, R.	110¾	5,000 Oil Cr'k & A. 1st M	92
20,000 U. S. 6s, '81 C.	112	bet. call	92
10,000 do	112¼	100 Canton Co	53¾
28,800 U. S. 5-20 C. '62.	112¾	100 do	53¾
10,000 do	112¾	100 do	53¾
10,000 U.S.5-20s R. '64.	108½	300 do	54¾
30,000 U.s. 5-20 C., '64.	103½	100 Cum. Coal Co.	39
5,000 do	103½	100 West. U. T.	93¾
75,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '65.	103½	100 do	93¾
30,000 do	103½	100 do	93¾
7,000 5-20 C., '65, new.	103½	100 Mar. & Pf.	93¾
25,000 do	103½	100 Pac. Mail	122¾
50,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '68	103¾	10 Mer. Un.	69¾
25,000 U.S.5s,10-40 R.	103¾	10 Bnkrs' & Brkrs' A.	100
20,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67,	108½	5 Mer. U. Express	15
188,000 do	108¾	200 Merch. U. Ex.	15
5,000 do	108¾	200 Hudson	137¾
8,000 U. S. 5-20 R. '65, new	108¾	200 Reading	94¾
39,500 U. S. 5-20, C., '65, new	108¾	70 Mich. Cen.	115¾
5,000 do	108¾	10 Mich. So. & N. I.	89¾
20,000 do	108¾	200 do	89¾
54,000 U.S. 5s, 10-40 C.	103¾	200 Clev. & Pitts.	89¾
2,000 Brook. & P. L.	93	80 do	89¾
5,000 Tenn. St. 6s, new	68¾	200 Merch. U. Ex.	15¾
120,400 do	68¾	200 do	15
2,000 do	68¾	200 N. Y. Central	156¾
5,000 do best call	68¾	10 do	156¾
4,000 do 2d call	69¼	200 do	156¾
15,000 Tenn. 6s, 6s, c. s. bet. call	69¾	200 do	156¾
1,000 Virginia 6s, new	67	200 do	156¾
10,000 Va. 6s, 6s, ex c. bet. call	65	200 do	156¾
70,000 do	65	200 do	156¾
10,000 N. Car. 6s, 6s, new, s10	62¼	200 do b30	157¾
6,000 Missouri 6s, H. & St. Jo. Is.	67½	400 do	157¾
3,000 Missouri 6s, 6s	67½	800 Cin. & N. W. Pf.	87
14,000 La. State 6s	72	40 do	87¾
40,000 La. 6s, Levee Bds.	67½	400 do	87¾
10,000 do	67¾	600 Lake Shore	101
20,000 do	67½	100 do	101¾
3,450 Georgia State 7s	91½	200 Clev. & Tol. bet. call	103½
1,000 Cal. 7s	126	20 Chi. & R. I.	125
10,000 Ala., St. 5s	86	50 do	125¾
1,000 N. Car. 7s, '76	90	100 do	125¾
4,000 Erie 3d M.	93	300 do	125¾
1,000 Alt. & T. H. 2d, Pref.	83¼	100 do b10	125
5,000 C. & N. W. C. O. Bds.	92½	100 Mil. & St. P.	77¾
4,000 Gt. West. 2d M.	77¾	200 Mil. & St. P. Pf.	91¾
7,050 C. & R. I. & P. E. R. S.	93	50 do	91¾
4,000 do	93¾	400 Tol., W. & W.	92
2,000 Mor. & Es. 1st	94	100 do	62¾
5,000 Ohio & M. 1st	93	100 C. O. Cin. & Ind.	78¾
1,000 Clev. & P. 4th	74½	10 Tol. & W. Pref.	75
1,000 Chic. & Mil. 1st	89	100 New-Jersey Cen.	114¾
37,000 Mar. T. 10s, Cpts	89	40 do	114¾
5,000 C., C. & I.C. 1st	76	40 Alt. & T. H. Pf	65¾
5,000 do	76¾	200 do	65¾
3,000 do	76¾	100 do	65¾
100 Cum. Coal Pf.	35	100 Ohio & Miss.	34¾
103 do	34¾	50 do	34¾
10 Bank of N. Y.	112	100 H. & St. Jo. Pf.	98¾
30 Cent. Nat. Bank	103½	50 Chi. & Alton	148
5 Tenth Nat. Bank	96	26 Chi. & Alton Pf.	148
25 Bank of Commerce	120		

OPEN BOARD—10 A. M.

6,000 Tenn. St. 6s, new	68¼	300 Ohio & Miss.	34¼
5,000 do	68¼	500 do	34¼
100 Mer. U. Ex.	15¾	800 do	34¾
20 Wells-Fargo Ex.	18	200 do	b10 34¾
300 Canton Co.	53¾	600 Mich. So. & N. I.	91
300 do	b3 53¾	200 do	c 91
300 do	53¾	100 do	90¾
600 do	124¼	300 do	90¾
100 do	b20 124¼	500 Pittsburg	85
300 do	124¼	200 do	84¾
200 do	b3 124¼	40 do	84¾
400 West. U. T.	93¾	100 do	84¾
400 do	94	600 do	84¾
200 N. Y. Cen.	156¼	400 do	b3 84¾
200 do	b3 156¾	800 Clev. & Tol.	104¼
100 Erie	39¾	200 do	c 104¼
200 do	39	600 do	104¾
200 do	c 39¼	600 Rock Island	126
500 do	b3 39	200 do	126¼
200 do	39¼	200 do	126¾
300 Reading	95	100 do	126¾
200 do	c 94¾	200 do	c 126¾
200 Hudson	137	200 do	c 125¾
400 do	137¼	500 do	125¾
100 do	137¼	1,000 Northwestern	83¾
100 do	b30 138	400 do	84
100 Mil. & St. P.	72	200 do	c 83¾
200 do	72¼	200 do	83¾
200 Fort Wayne	121	400 N. W. Pfd.	87
20 do	120	300 do	86¾
100 do	120¼	100 do	c 86¾
80 do	120¾	300 do	87
100 do	c 120¾	100 T., W. & W.	62¾
100 do	120¾	200 do	63
200 do	b3 121		

OPEN BOARD—1 P. M.

$10,000 Tenn. 6s, new	68¼	200 Ohio & Miss.	34½
5,000 do	68¼	200 do	b30 34¾
10,000 do	b10 68¾	100 do	b3 34¾
100 Merch. Un. Ex.	15¾	400 do	34¾
300 Canton Co.	53¾	200 do	b3 34¾
500 do	54	600 Mich. So. & N. I.	90¾
500 West. U. T.	93¾	200 do	90¾
200 N. Y. Cen.	156¾	100 do	b10 90¾
100 Erie	39¾	100 Pittsburg	84¾
530 do	39¾	200 do	84¾
600 do	39¾	200 do	b3 84¾
200 do	b3 39¾	200 do	b10 84¾
100 Hudson	137	200 Clev. & Tol.	104¾
200 do	136¾	200 do	c 104¾
200 Reading	b3 94¾	200 do	b3 104¾
10 Bank of Bro. Assn.	113	200 N. Western Pf.	86¾
100 T., W. & W.	62	200 do	c 86¾
300 Northwestern	83¾	200 Fort Wayne	120¾
200 do	83¾	100 Rock Island	127
200 do	b3 83¾	300 do	b3 86¾
100 do	83¾	100 Mil. & S. P.	72¾

OPEN BOARD—3½ P. M.

100 Canton Co.	54¼	200 Mich. So. & N. I.	89¾
200 do	54¾	400 do	89¾
100 do	b3 54¾	200 do	89¾
200 Pacific Mail	122¾	300 do	b3 89¾
100 N. Y. Central	155¾	100 do	89¾
100 Erie	39¾	800 Pittsburg	84¾
500 do	39¾	200 do	84¾
600 Reading	94	200 do	b10 84¾
100 Chi. & Alton	148	400 Clev. & Tol.	103¾
200 Alton & T. H., Pf	62	200 do	b3 103¾
100 Mil. & St. P.	71¾	200 do	103¾
400 Mil. & St. P., Pf.	90¾	200 Rock Island	125¾
100 do	90¾	200 do	125¾
200 Fort Wayne	119	400 Northwestern	81¾
600 do	119¾	200 do	b3 81¾
200 Ohio & Miss.	33¾	200 do	81¾
100 do	c 33¾	600 Nor. West., Pf	85¾

MONDAY, Jan. 11—P. M.

The markets for Gold and Foreign Exchange were quite stiff through the forenoon. Gold sold up to 135¼@135¾ ₱ cent., and Bills on London at 109¾ ₱ cent. and no abatement in the way of brokerage. On the other hand, Money ruled with great apparent ease at 7 ₱ cent. Currency Interest until about 2 o'clock, when it was suddenly found that the offerings from lenders were scarcely equal to the wants of the Brokers for the day, and there was a sharp turn in the rate to Gold Interest, and a considerable running around to make up accounts at Bank. This change was immediately felt at the Stock Boards, and also had its effect in the Gold Room, where the transactions fell off to 135¼@135¾ ₱ cent. The market for Foreign Bills was also a fraction easier, and purchases could have been made late in the day at 109¼, less a sixteenth brokerage, and 109¾ ₱ cent. net for 60 days on London, and 110¼@⅜ for short sight. The Gold Brokers paid from 5 to 7 ₱ cent. Interest, to carry over their balances, early in the day, and 7 ₱ cent. at the close of Bank hours. The turn in Money was attributed in part to the active purchases of Stocks on Saturday, which had to be arranged for to-day, and to the further large business at the Boards this morning.

On the Stock Exchange the Public Funds are from a ¼ to ½ ₱ cent. lower than the best sales of Saturday on nearly all the Gold-bearing Stocks, while the 10-40 years' 5 ₱ cents and the Currency 6 ₱ cents. (Pacific Road subsidy) continued steady. The Southern State Bonds were generally firm and in active demand, nor did the report of dearer money affect this department of the Exchange at the late Boards. New Tennessees, old Virginias, and the Louisianas were in most favor, and there was also a rise of ½ ₱ cent. in Missouris. The new Tennessees sold up to 69¼ ₱ cent. and the price bid at the close. The Louisiana Levee 6 ₱ cents sold as high as 68 ₱ cent., and closed 67½ bid and 68@¾ asked. The Levee 8 ₱ cents, of which there is only a small issue, sold at 72¾ and the old State 6 ₱ cents are quoted at 72¾@73 ₱ cent. The Alabama 8 ₱ cents sold at 86, and 86¼ was bid at the close of the day; 87 ₱ cent. asked. The transactions in old Virginias were large at 55@56@55¼ ₱ cent. The disposition to buy all the Southern State Bonds, since the New Year, is on the increase, and the speculation for a further rise was decidedly marked to-day, not only at the Gold Exchange Boards, but by private contract.

The Railway market, with some few exceptions, opened firm in the Long Boom before the early Open Board, but at that Board, and subsequently in the Long Room and at the morning session of the Old Board, prices were unsettled under an apparent anxiety to realize at something near the advanced sales of Saturday. The result was a pretty large business for Cash and regular way, and in the Afternoon the effect of this change and the reputed extra demand for Money caused a further decline in prices, though the market was free from panic feeling. On the Miscellaneous list there was a further rise of 2 ₱ cent. in Canton Land Company, and at one time, 1¼ ₱ cent. in Pacific Mail—the latter falling back to 122¾ ₱ cent. at the 2:30 P. M. Old Board.

After the late Boards broke up, the following quotations were made as compared with Saturday Afternoon. The extreme depression on New-York Central, in the course of the day, was 2 ₱ cent., on the Northwests about the same; 1¼@2 on Rock Island, and 1@1½ ₱ cent. on other Westerns and Reading. The Public Funds left off weak:

	Saturday.	Monday.
United States 10-40s	106¾	106¾
United States 5-20s of 1862	112¾	112½
United States 5-20s of 1867	108¾	108¾
American Gold Coin	135¼	135¼
Bills on London, 60 days	109¼	109¼
New Bonds of Tennessee	67½	69¼
Virginia Bonds, old	55	56
Missouri Bonds	87¼	87¼
North Carolina Bonds, old	64¼	64¼
New-York Central	157	155¾
Erie Railway	39¼	38¾
Reading Railway	94¾	94¼
Chicago and Rock Island	126¼	125¾
Northwest Common	88¼	81¾
Northwest Preferred	87¾	85¼
Michigan Southern	90¾	89¾
Pittsburg and Ft. Wayne	119¾	119¼
Cleveland and Pittsburg	84¾	84¼
Pacific

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NEW-YORK, TUESDAY, JAN. 12, 1869.

Amusements this Evening.

PIKE'S OPERA HOUSE.
23d-st., corner 8th-av.
LA PERICHOLE. Characters by Mlle. Irma, Mlle. Rose, Mlle. Thaler, M. Aujac, M. Leduc, M. Edgard, M. Gridon, M. Hamilton, and others.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
MONEY. Characters by Messrs. Lester Wallack, Gilbert, Fisher, Ringgold, Rockwell, Mrs. Clara Jennings, Miss Mestayer and others.

FRENCH THEATRE.
14th-st., near 6th-av.
L'OEIL CREVE. Characters by Mme. Rose-Bell, Mlle. Duclauzas, Messrs. Darrier, Gabel, Beckers, Geno, Feist, and others.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, between Houston and Bleecker sts.
HUMPTY DUMPTY. Characters by Mr. Geo. L. Fox, Mr. F. Lacy, Mr. O. K. Fox, Mlle. Laurent, Mrs. C. Raymonds, Miss E. Harrison, Mr. F. Sinclair and others.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, between Prince and Houston sts.
AFTER DARK; OR, LONDON BY NIGHT. Characters by Miss Louisa Moore, Miss Edith Chaiha, Messrs. Rankin, Vane, Ryan, Coleman and others.

BROADWAY THEATRE.
Broadway, near Broome-st.
THE EMERALD KING. Leading characters by Mr. and Mrs. B. Williams.

NEW-YORK THEATRE.
Broadway, near 8th-st.
FIELD OF THE CLOTH OF GOLD. Leading characters by the Misses Worrell.

WOOD'S MUSEUM AND THEATRE.
Broadway, corner of 30th-st.
Afternoon—KATE KEARNY. Evening—ERNANI.
GRAND EXHIBITION OF CURIOSITIES. Open day and evening.

BOWERY THEATRE.
Bowery, near Canal-st.
THE TICKET OF LEAVE MAN, &c. By a powerful cast.

THE TAMMANY.
14th-st., near 3d-av.
GRAND COMBINATION OF MUSIC, PLAYS, ACROBATIC FEATS, &c.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS.
14th-st., opposite Academy of Music.
EQUESTRIAN AND GYMNASTIC PERFORMANCES AND PANTOMIMES.

BRYANTS' MINSTREL HALL.
14th-st., near 3d-av.
GENEVIEVE DE BRYANT, (Burlesque,) VOCALISM, HUMORISTS, &c.

SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS.
No. 585 Broadway.
BONE SQUASH DIABOLO, NEGRO COMICALITIES, &c.

COOPER INSTITUTE.
8th-st., between 3d and 4th ave
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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

It is conceded in Paris that the Peace Conference now in session in that city will be successful in averting the threatened war between Turkey and Greece. The representative of Turkey has consented that the present *status* of affairs shall remain undisturbed until the close of the Conference. The Sultan has congratulated the people of the Danubian Provinces on their loyalty.

The recent disturbances in Italy, resulting from the collection of unpopular taxes, have been suppressed, and the collection is being proceeded with.

The budget of the French Minister of Finance shows that during the past year the floating debt has been reduced 2,000,000 francs. His estimates for 1870 promise an excess of receipts over expenditures of 86,000,000 francs.

CONGRESS.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN presented to the Senate, yesterday, a memorial setting forth that it is impossible for a Union man to live in certain parts of Georgia, that the murderers of Union men cannot be brought to justice, that intimidation has been used to influence the vote of colored citizens, and asking that some legislation be made to remedy this state of things. The bill providing for the relief of Miss SUE MURPHY for losses sustained during the war was taken up. During the debate which ensued Mr. SUMNER read a letter from a citizen of Alabama, which stated that the property claimed by Miss MURPHY was really owned by her stepfather, who was not loyal; that Miss MURPHY had made many rebel speeches herself at flag presentations, and that the property for which payment was claimed was never worth more than $1,500. These statements were denied during the general debate which followed. Without disposing of the bill, the Senate adjourned.

In the House, Mr. ROBINSON introduced a bill providing for the improvement of the harbor of New-York by removing obstructions, and otherwise. It appropriates $5,000,000 annually for this purpose, to be expended by a Board consisting of the Governor of the State, the Mayors of New-York and Brooklyn, and other prominent officers. It was referred to the Committee on Commerce. Mr. BUTLER introduced a bill, which recites that a majority of the Judges of the State Courts of Virginia are disqualified from holding such offices by the Fourteenth Amendment, and that the United States Courts are discharging criminals who have been convicted by such Judges. The bill then provides for a stay of proceedings in such cases until the United States Courts shall have decided upon the validity of such convictions. Referred to the Judiciary Committee. Mr. WASHBURN introduced a bill repealing the Tenure-of-Office act, which, Mr. BUTLER said, was the same bill introduced by him; but, as his was in the hands of the Judiciary Committee, and could not be reached this session, he hoped action would be immediately taken on Mr. WASHBURN'S. The previous question was moved and the bill passed—yeas 121, nays 47. The Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation bill, as amended, was passed. Mr. BOUTWELL, from the Judiciary Committee, reported a joint resolution, proposing an amendment to the Constitution, defining who might vote for Presidential Electors and Representatives to Congress. It provides that no one shall be prohibited from voting on account of race or color, and provides punishment for persons interfering with the rights of legal voters. The House went into Committee of the Whole on the Naval Appropriation bill. After some debate it was reported to the House, and an adjournment immediately followed.

GENERAL.

The ice in the Hudson River above Albany broke up yesterday, causing a rise in the river at that city. A barge and a canal-boat were driven out of the basin into the river, and will probably be lost. Several buildings on the pier were partially destroyed, and great damage to property ensued.

The Court of Appeals of Kentucky has recently decided that, under the act of March 3, 1859, the widow of a member of Congress is entitled to receive back pay due him, and that it should not go to the administrators, to be distributed among the creditors and the heirs. The case arose in the estate of HENRY GRIDER, a member of the Thirty-sixth Congress, who died Sept. 8, 1866, having failed to draw of his compensation the sum of $3,137. This amount the widow drew and claimed as her own property, although at the time of her marriage she had executed an ante-nuptial contract relinquishing her right of dower in any estate her husband might own at his death.

There is a report in Chicago to the effect that the Propaganda of Rome have cited Bishop DUGGAN, of Chicago, to appear before the Council and show cause for removing Fathers MCMULLEN, ROLES and MCGOVERN from their parishes.

The Metropolitan Board of Health held a regular session yesterday afternoon. Complaints were made relative to the existence of large establishments in Brooklyn where swill-fed cattle are kept, some for milk and others for slaughter. The Sanitary Superintendent was directed to investigate the matter. A motion of Commissioner STORM to modify the order of the Board relative to the time required to be devoted to the service of the Board by its Sanitary Department, was referred to a committee.

Yesterday the Metropolitan Board of Excise met and investigated eight cases of alleged violation of the law by liquor dealers. Four complaints were dismissed, three adjourned and one indefinitely postponed. Eighty-six new licenses were granted.

The Dramatic Fund Ball at the Academy of Music last night was a very brilliant affair. It was attended by large numbers, both of the world of fashion and of the stage.

A fire which occurred at Phelps, Ontario County, N. Y., destroyed property valued at $50,000, on which there was an insurance to the amount of $30,000.

The report of the loss of the brig *A. R. Dunlap*, of Boston, between that city and Halifax, is confirmed. Thirteen persons were on board, and all are supposed to have been lost. Portions of the wreck and one body have been washed ashore.

The official vote for Congressman in the Fourth District of Tennessee, as Gov. BROWNLOW revises it on account of informalities and illegalities, stands as follows: Col. LEWIS TILLMAN, Republican, 3,795; C. A. SHEAFE, Democrat, 3,363.

Several murders and robberies have occurred along the Opelousas Railroad, in Louisiana, during the past few weeks, and the people in its neighborhood are much alarmed thereby. The last case reported occurred at a point about forty-one miles from New-Orleans. The victim was a German, who was employed as a laborer on the road. A colored man has been arrested for the crime. He admits, it is said, that he robbed the man, but denies having committed the murder.

Three colored soldiers, who were in jail at Hays City, Kansas, charged with murder, were taken from the jail by a Vigilance Committee, a night or two since, and hanged. The white and negro soldiers at Fort Larned have had so much trouble that it has become necessary to remove the latter.

The New-Jersey Legislature meets to-day, at Trenton. The third and final message of Gov. WARD will be sent in after the organization of the two branches; and Mr. RANDOLPH, the Governor elect, will be inaugurated on Tuesday, the 19th. The election for United States Senator to succeed Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN will take place early in the session.

The Board of Assistant Aldermen met yesterday. A resolution making inquiry as to the contract for removing snow from Broadway was referred. The President announced the Standing Committees for the year, and the Clerk announced his appointment of subordinates.

The well-known bronze cast of HOUDON'S statue of WASHINGTON was removed yesterday from the City Hall to the National Academy of Design. It will be purchased by subscription and placed in the Central Park. The price is to be $10,000.

Cotton was firmer yesterday and more sought after. Breadstuffs, Provisions and Groceries were less inquired for, though in most instances, buyers had the advantage. Freights dull.

Beef cattle are not selling at so high prices as they brought last week. The market is dull, with prices at 15c.@17c. ℔ lb. for good cattle. Very few are sold for over 16c. Hundreds of common and thin beeves were sold for only 12c.@14c. ℔ lb. The supply is fully equal to the demand. The sheep trade is depressed. Sales were slow yesterday, with prices from 4c.@7c. ℔ lb., live weight. Only the very best sheep bring more than 6c. ℔ lb. Common sheep sell slowly at 4c.@5c. ℔ lb., gross weight. The hog market is fairly active. Common to good swine are being sold at 10¼c.@10½c. ℔ lb., live weight. A few choice lots were sold for a trifle more than these prices. Dressed hogs bring 13c.@13½c. ℔ lb. Selected lots have been sold at 13¾c @14c. ℔ lb., but most of the sales are reported at about 13c. ℔ lb.

Gen. Grant and the System of Appointments to Office.

A correspondent of the *Nation*, who believes in Mr. JENCKES' Civil Service bill and regrets that it is not likely to become a law soon enough to be of service to Gen. GRANT in making his appointments to office, makes this suggestion:

"Cannot Gen. GRANT *select six or a dozen competent and honest men*, who, acting as a Committee, would, under certain simple but fixed rules, take up all applications for office in rotation as they come to hand, and so deal with them that Gen. GRANT would be able to send up to the Senate no name of a certainly corrupt or glaringly incompetent man? It does not seem much to ask; and if only the six or twelve Committee-men could be obtained equal to the emergency, it would not be a very difficult thing to do."

Difficult or not, we fancy this is just about what Gen. GRANT will attempt to do,—though he will not probably put his action in just that form. As described by the writer this plan would be an innovation, while, in point of fact, it is merely what is already provided by the Constitution, and is sanctioned by the usage of the Government in its better days.

The Constitution, which makes the President the chief Executive of the nation, gives him power to appoint a head of each of the departments into which the Executive administration of the Government may be divided; and those heads, acting together, each in his appropriate sphere, constitute just about such a "committee of six or a dozen men" as the correspondent referred to has in view. We are inclined to think that Gen. GRANT will hand over to that "Committee," (more commonly called a Cabinet,) the duty and the responsibility of "taking up all applications for office as they come to hand," and of making from them such selections as they may advise the President to appoint. And we are inclined to think, further, that Gen. GRANT will prescribe for these Committee-men "certain simple but fixed rules" of action—such as will most nearly meet the difficulties of the case—such as, for example:

1. No man must be selected who is not thoroughly and reliably honest.

2. No man must be selected who is not thoroughly competent.

3. No man must be selected who is not, in principle and in habitual action, thoroughly faithful to the Constitution.

Under the guidance of these "simple, but fixed rules," if faithfully adhered to, in their spirit as well as letter, the Committee will have little difficulty in making it reasonably certain that "no name of a certainly corrupt or glaringly incompetent man" will be sent up to the Senate. The head of each department will probably be charged with the special duty of selecting the men to be appointed for service in his own department; and will probably be made to understand,—as such things are understood only in military circles, or by men accustomed to a military *régime*,—that he is to be held *responsible* for the men appointed to office in his department, responsible for their integrity as well as their capacity,—for what they do and for what they *fail* to do, in the line of their legitimate duty.

The thing of first importance in this matter is, of course, the selection of these Committee-men,—or in more familiar phrase, the selection of a Cabinet. The whole country understands perfectly that upon this depends the success or the failure of Gen. GRANT'S Administration; and the country awaits with intense but patient anxiety, tempered only by its confidence in his good judgment and upright purpose, Gen. GRANT'S announcement of the selections he may make.

But there is another point of very great importance behind this, but following very closely upon it. Who shall *advise* the heads of departments, in their selection? No man can know all the applicants, be he Secretary or President,—and no man can, therefore, from his own knowledge and of his own motion, select from them the men best fitted in all things for office. Whoever makes the selections must depend upon *somebody* for advice,—or at least for information, at once full, reliable and disinterested, which may guide him in coming to a decision. To whom shall he look for such information?

Of late years members of Congress, belonging to the dominant party, have *claimed the right*, not only to advise the Executive in regard to appointments in their respective districts, but absolutely to *dictate* those appointments to him. The word is not too strong. In form they *ask* certain appointments at his hands; if he makes them, all is serene and they are his "friends." But if he refuses to make them, they array themselves against him, and denounce him as false to his friends and a traitor to his party. Very much of the hostility of individual members of Congress against Mr. JOHNSON, was due to his refusal to make appointments to office in obedience to their dictation. It is held that the President has no business to go behind the indorsement and recommendation of a member of Congress for appointments in his district. The patronage of the district is claimed as, of *right*, the property of the member. State delegations combine and agree to support in a body the claim of each member to the selection of office-holders in his own district. The Republican members from New-York have held meetings and formally voted that they would *insist* that the President should appoint to office in each Congressional district of New-York, the officers whom the member from that district might select. The same thing has been done in other States, and is the general practice with members from them all.

The plea urged is that the member from any district is naturally presumed to know more about the political interests of his own district, and of the character, political and personal, of the applicants for office within it, than the President possibly can; and that he is therefore the proper person to *designate* the appointments for it. The members, it is true, *ask* these appointments; they do not, in form, dictate them; but in point of fact, that is precisely what they try to do. And if their requests are not complied with, they feel at perfect liberty to make open war, personal and political, upon the Executive who dares to refuse. Gen. BUTLER, in his recent canvass for reëlection, openly declared that if Gen. GRANT did not give him his rightful share of the offices in his district, (which usually means all of them,) he would *give him enough to do to take care of himself during the rest of his term.* This was meant as a menace, and is incapable of any other construction. And while all the members of Congress are not so open and frank in their avowals as is Gen. BUTLER, they all hold, as tenaciously as he does, that the right of selecting the officeholders, each for his own district, *belongs to them*, and that no President, who is true to his party and his friends, will refuse it to them. None but a "traitor" would dream of such a thing.

Precisely the same feeling pervades the Senate. Senators assert the same right and enforce it in the same way. They "claim" certain appointments as theirs by *right*; if the claim is conceded, very well. If not, they are at war with the Executive. We venture to say that more votes were controlled *for* convicting Mr. JOHNSON, when impeached, by his refusal of patronage when demanded by individual Senators, than were gained for acquitting him by the concession of such claims, or by more open bribery.

There are at least two serious objections to this practice and to the theory on which it rests:—

1. It is in violation of the spirit and intent, as well as the language and letter, of the Constitution, which gives to the President the selection of officers of the Government, subject only to the "advice and *consent*" of the Senate. It makes members of the House the real and actual appointing power, when in no sense have they rightfully anything whatever to do with it.

2. Even as advisers Congressmen are not *disinterested*. They consult their own political interests or their own personal feelings. And some of them actually make a pecuniary profit from the offices which they can control. Even the best of them use the Executive patronage, so far as they can control it, to pay their political debts, or to secure their future political advancement. They pay for what their personal supporters have already done for them, or they buy support for themselves in the future. In this way the patronage of the Government is used to destroy all independence of judgment and of action *within their own party*, in its selection of candidates. There are very many men now in Congress who would not be there if their constituents had been free to follow their preferences. Their judgments were overborne by influences created by the use of the Executive patronage wielded by the member already in place.

This whole system is false in theory, vicious and demoralizing in practice, and fatal to the independence and integrity of the Government. It ought to be broken up. Members of Congress should be free, and should be invited, to *give information* concerning candidates for office within their districts,—and that information should weigh much or little, according to its intrinsic value. *Facts*,—not advice, nor wishes personal or political,—are what the Executive needs at the hands of members of Congress; and are what should in every case be required and used by him, *as the basis and guide of his own independent and untrammeled judgment.* This is the true theory, and has been the practice of administration in the better days of the Government. We hope Gen. GRANT will try to return to it. Whether he can do so or not, is a matter of doubt, and depends on his ability to contend successfully against the various influences and combinations that are interested in maintaining the existing state of things, and which most assuredly will not surrender it without a bitter and a desperate struggle.

North and South in a New Light.

The tortoise may again outstrip the hare. In the race for solid wealth, it seems not improbable that the South may, after all, pass the North. The former is in several respects better fitted for the trial. It has graduated in the school of adversity, and come out spare indeed in flesh, but with wind, and nerve, and muscle in capital trim. The North on the contrary, has reveled in the delights of dissipation, and shows all the signs of revelry and sumptuous living. It is sleek and finely clad, but with nerves unstrung, and predisposed to short breathing.

The Southern planter was precipitated roughly to the bottom. He lost everything. The labor he had relied upon was taken from him. The comfort in which he had been reared suddenly vanished. He suffered the pangs of poverty and despair. Compelled to struggle for his bread, he began life anew under its most dispiriting aspects. Necessity made him thrifty, temperate and industrious. Having neither money nor credit, he was compelled to train his appetite to simple fare, and to adapt his ways to circumstances of the hardest kind. The lesson was an unpleasant one, but it has yielded good results. The planter of to-day is not the planter of ten years ago. He has learned to work, to buy no more than he can pay for, and to confine his wants within comparatively narrow limits. Hard times have lost their terrors for him. They have taught him to regulate his expenditure by his means, and with this lesson learned he has little to fear. If he has not wealth he has none of the drawbacks incident to its possession. An inflated currency does not demoralize him; and all the habits growing out of the war tend toward simplicity of taste in food and dress.

We at the North, though more pleasantly situated, cannot look on the future quite so complacently. Ours has for years past been a school of extravagance. The good, old-fashioned habits are gone, and in their place we have a fondness for grand living and grand enterprises. We have fine houses, magnificently furnished, with expensive tables and costumes to match. The economy we read about has been banished. We get into debt one with another, and with people abroad. An inflated currency has familiarized us with high prices, and the war expenditures of the Government with plenty of currency. The Government expenditures have ceased, but the currency remains; and we keep up splendid appearances by speculation, and our spirits by resolutely refusing to think of danger or to talk of pay in real money. We are not fools enough not to know that there are business and financial rocks ahead, and that the present style of living cannot last forever; but we deliberately prefer not to contemplate these things, or in any manner to prepare for them. We may have to go under for a little, but there is no use in making ourselves miserable before the time. It will be time to look the evil in the face when we cannot hide from it any longer.

Are we wrong in suggesting that, despite the present apparent disparity, the Southern cotton-grower may find himself richer than the Northern speculator; or in thinking that in view of disorganized finances, the North may possibly feel any future pinch a little more keenly than the less boastful South?

Reverdy Johnson in England.

It is with a diplomat as with a soldier—a single mistake, made with whatsoever good intentions, puts him under the real or fancied necessity of excuses forever after; and only the end of life brings an end to his explanations, after which they are continued by his biographers and heirs. Mr. REVERDY JOHNSON'S mistake in fraternizing with the Lairds, Wharncliffes, Roebucks and Gregories, of England, is very clearly no exception to this rule. Being a "blunder" in diplomacy, it becomes "worse than a crime" for him; and, accordingly, so long as he stays in England, he will not cease to defend himself; when he leaves England he will make a parting explanation; when he touches American shores he will make a preliminary apology—and so on, possibly, to the end of his *official* life at least.

And all the while Mr. JOHNSON himself will continue to wonder *why* his countrymen are offended, and why, since our family quarrels are over, the principle of letting "bygones be bygones" does not cover and vindicate his extreme good nature toward the builders and the abettors of the *Alabama*.

To us distant spectators of his conduct the reason lies in a nutshell; nor is it difficult for us to see at once the fallacy of that excusatory logic of his which now and again the cable reports in brief, and which a few days after the English papers report in full. To have been friendly with Englishmen who had publicly predicted the success of the rebellion, would have subjected Mr. JOHNSON to no hostile criticism here. Many of our British friends did that; and so did others who, like Lord RUSSELL, treated the "late Union" as already overthrown, or, like Mr. GLADSTONE, believed that "JEFFERSON DAVIS had created a Nation," and who yet appear to have been misled as to the *fact*, rather than to have been carried away by hostile sentiment. We shall go further: it would have done no harm, perhaps, for Mr. JOHNSON to have extended official courtesies even to those Englishmen who *did* sympathize fully and heartily with the South, under the two-fold impression that secession was a lawful remedy in our Government, and that the cause of the insurgents was that of liberty against oppression.

But that was not Mr. JOHNSON'S mistake. What he did was to embrace men who did *not* sympathize with the cause of the South, as such, nor with that of the North, but who aimed to humiliate both South and North, and *all* the States together. Such men were the Roebucks of England, who espoused the cause of the South because it would break up the Union—not that they hated the South less, but the Union more. And they not only had this aim, but publicly avowed it and gloried in it in public speeches which still remain on record for Mr. JOHNSON to peruse. Nay, that not a single foothold may be left to our Minister, the leader of this class of America-haters, namely, Mr. ROEBUCK, out of whose friendly embrace with our Minister at the Sheffield dinner the present popular censure grew, several days after the banquet confirmed all we now say, in a public speech. Asking himself why he had favored the cause of the South, he said: "I will tell you distinctly, and you shall not mistake me. My object was to prevent the United States from becoming an immense, uncontrolled power."

Let us now see if we cannot assist Mr. JOHNSON to understand the ground of the censure of the American people, which appears to be so mysterious to him. It was not solely provoked by the insult which Mr. ROEBUCK gave to our country, and to its people as the "scum" of the earth, at the same table where sat our official representative, charged with the maintenance of our honor. But it also arose from the spectacle of our Minister's "embracing" a man whose purpose in the war was to ruin America. He himself declares he cared little for the political rights or the grievances of the South, as such—nothing for secession or slavery; his object was to check and destroy America as a nation, and to prevent the Western Hemisphere from becoming more powerful than the Eastern. *That* is something we never heard from the most violent of the Southern insurgents. In their wildest paroxysms of rage, they clung to the "*old* Republic" with its hopes and destinies; they claimed its statesmen, from WASHINGTON to WEBSTER, as their exemplars; their new flag was one of "stars and stripes;" their Constitution was mainly like ours; they founded a Republic; and there was no day, from start to close, when they would not have gladly given up secession, could they have exchanged it for the political control of the *whole* Union—all the better for its being of "immense, uncontrolled power." Does Mr. JOHNSON see no difference in this respect between ROEBUCK and R. E. LEE? Does he fail to understand why the former is not a case of a "family quarrel?" Why the forgiveness and reconciliation extended to the one, do not necessarily include the other?

If not, then let him put the question not on grounds of "forgiveness of the past," but of policy for the future. For the very reason alleged by Mr. ROEBUCK for his hostility still survives. The United States are stronger, and have a power still nearer being "immense and uncontrolled" than ever before; hence Mr. ROEBUCK, despite the moderation in expression which our *success* imposes upon a public man, is precisely, by his own confession, as determined an enemy of our country as before; and with this view known to him, our Minister embraces him. Let Mr. JOHNSON be as friendly as he pleases with those Englishmen who, misled by ignorance of our political system, fancied secession was a right, or who, misled by ignorance of historic fact, fancied the South was oppressed—he may regard them as included in the "family reconciliation." But let him not include in his loving kindness, open and avowed haters and active enemies of our nation. The interest of every Southerner, though lately an insurgent, is now our national interest—to aggrandize the whole country. The interest of every man holding Mr. ROEBUCK'S views is to break up our Republic, should opportunity offer.

Secretary Stanton and Senator Morgan.

The following letter from the late Secretary of War, addressed to a member of the present State Government, will explain itself. Mr. STANTON has deemed it his duty to say thus much in behalf of Senator MORGAN, in reply to certain calumnies which the heat of the pending Senatorial contest has put into circulation:

WASHINGTON CITY, Jan. 1, 1869.

MY DEAR SIR: The confidence and respect inspired by your acquaintance during the war induce me to address you on a subject in relation to which I take some considerable interest, while anxious to abstain from any improper interference—I mean the approaching election of Senator from New-York. I am informed that misrepresentations are actively urged against Gov. MORGAN'S reëlection in respect to his supposed action while Governor in relation to the draft, and also respecting the election of Gov. WADSWORTH.

In respect to strengthening the army by draft and volunteers, no State Executive was more prompt, active and harmonious with the Executive administration at Washington. For his uniform and hearty support to the War Department in the great struggle, I shall always feel under obligation to Gov. MORGAN. Mr. LINCOLN, as you doubtless know, had great regard for him.

In respect to Gov. MORGAN'S action relating to Gen. WADSWORTH, the General and I had frequent conversations about that canvass, and the conduct of prominent persons supporting or betraying him. The General always spoke with respect, confidence and favor toward Gov. MORGAN as a true friend, who had supported him faithfully in the contest.

The support given to the War Department by Gov. MORGAN, as Executive of the State and Senator, will, I trust, in your judgment, excuse me for this explanation, and warrant my desire for his reëlection to the United States Senate. His defeat would, of course, gratify his political enemies of the Copperhead Johnson stripe, and be claimed as a sign of Johnson strength in New-York. For this reason, without any discrimination of individuals that could be invidious, I am earnestly desirous to see the Governor reëlected as a token of approval of his loyal support of the Government and the Republican Party.

Yours truly, EDWIN M. STANTON.

The Hoosac Tunnel.

The retiring Governor of Massachusetts speaks rather hopefully of the completion, within a reasonable time, of this great railroad enterprise,—perhaps only a little less interesting to the people of New-York than to those of the State he represents.

In truth, there is nothing insuperable, nothing even extraordinary, in the difficulties which the Hoosac Tunnel presents. That it has already taken so much time, and used up so much money, and accomplished only 8,000 feet of excavation, or one-third of the required work, is not solely or mainly due to the intrinsic mechanical difficulties of the task. If the Messrs. SHANLY take hold of the job in earnest by the end of this month, they can confidently expect to connect the central shaft with the projected base of the tunnel before Midsummer; and then, working from four headings at once, they can make double progress. Their contract time of seven years will be amply sufficient to have cars actually running through the tunnel, and the new appropriation of five millions ought to cover the whole cost.

The engineering difficulties, are, of course, considerable, but they mainly involve questions of time and money, and no elements of experiment or uncertainty. The experiences of the Mont Cenis Tunnel can well be turned to account. This latter, it is true, will hardly be completed under two years; but it has been a considerably more difficult undertaking. For example, its borings are conducted from but two headings, the entrance and exit; whereas, in the Hoosac Tunnel, the opportunity of sinking a central shaft is an enormous advantage. It will be as great an advantage, too, in making the tunnel practicable for travel when complete. The seven-mile tunnel under Mont Cenis will be very difficult, probably, to ventilate by any appliances ever yet successfully put in use; but the central shaft in the Hoosac Mountain will be an efficient aid to circulation, and, by means of proper machinery, the air may be made to course with facility.

The great "bore," as the Eastern papers always write it, in a very grave pun, may therefore be looked upon with more hope. Undoubtedly the business of Boston will be the gainer by the new western route, though not probably to the extent promised by the enthusiasts who urged the enterprise so many years ago.

Affairs in the Antilles.

The desperate strait to which the revolutionists in the eastern part of Cuba have been reduced is evinced by their declaration of the abolition of slavery. When the Secessionists of the South were similarly hard pressed and on the eve of surrendering, they determined on arming their slaves; but, though the enlistment of the blacks was authorized by the rebel Congress, only a few companies were organized. The abolition of slavery, forced by their reverses on the Cubans, will have no better effect; the decree, to prove effective, comes from the wrong party, and will, we fear, result in giving actual and desirable freedom to no one. The pacificatory measures adopted by Gen. DULCE have, on the contrary, been liberal, and wise and practical. They have already had great effect in the insurrectionary districts, and, we may hope, will lead to the speedy close of the revolution.

There is some hope, too, that peace will be restored to the Haytien half of the Island of St. Domingo, though the failure of the Baez Government in the other half is said to be threatened in consequence of financial schemes that have gone AWRY. President SALNAVE, of Hayti, has of late displayed considerable energy in the prosecution of the campaign against the several rebel chiefs who have, for nearly a year, waged war against him; and his authority along the coast is now almost secured as firmly as it has always been in the interior. SALNAVE represents the agricultural class of Hayti; the rebels against his authority were, generally speaking, idlers of the sea-coast towns; and since Hayti must depend for her commercial prosperity on the products of her soil, this success of the agricultural class will be welcomed here as a sign of returning peace and prosperity. SALNAVE is generally regarded as the ablest and most honest ruler that Hayti has had since the death of BOYER. He has certainly displayed as much energy as BOYER, though not precisely in the same direction; but once united under him, Hayti ought to have a prosperous era.

Signs of returning prosperity to Jamaica are also to be noted, the evil effects of Gov. EYRE'S conduct there having been gradually effaced. It is noteworthy that the prosperity of Jamaica, like that of Cuba, has been the result of changes of a liberal, political and commercial character in the Government. England has found no difficulty in controlling her negro subjects while giving them the protection of a strong Government, liberally and humanely administered.

The Antilles, in short, never had better prospects than at present. There never was a time when American commerce was more attracted to that rich district; and American merchants in the West India trade are looking forward to a year of unprecedented prosperity. The West India trade, combined with that of the South American Coast, ought to be one of the most valuable to American merchants and steamers, and with peace on the Plate and quiet in the Antilles, we see no reason why a vast commerce between us and those countries should not spring up. At present European nations control and direct that which ought to be ours.

The Bureau of Steam Engineering.

By the strong vote of 97 to 23 the House passed, the other day, the Naval Committee's bill, providing that hereafter a civilian may be appointed by the President to fill the position of Chief of the Bureau of Steam Engineering in the Navy Department.

The ground alleged for this change by the Committee was, that facts had shown that the Government should have a wider and better choice among aspirants for the position than that furnished by the corps of engineers, whose number (only fifty-two) and whose field of operations are both so circumscribed. It was added in the Committee's recommendation, among other things:

"Reports come to us from line officers on every station and other observers that our vessels move by steam alone, while those of other nations with more adequate steam apparatus resort to their sails while cruising on stations, and thus save the fuel ours consume and the wear and tear of machinery they are undergoing. Line officers report to us from every station that our vessels, when they move impelled by our style of engines, move only to look at the sterns of competing vessels, even of those of the little South American States which have navies."

With such a state of things in our navy, the action of the House is not to be wondered at. The least that can be said regarding the Steam Bureau as at present constituted is, that it has woefully disappointed the just expectations of the country from its creation. The theories of its present chief have been the subject of severe criticism on both sides of the Atlantic, ever since the opening of his career. That career began before his appointment to his present post, with the frigates *Alleghany* and *Princeton*. The machinery of the first ship proved a total failure, from constructional defects. The second, ERICSSON'S *Princeton*, was, as every one remembers, the first screw war-vessel in the world, and the model on which the navies of all maritime Powers have since been constructed. Her original engines were so excellent that they outlasted her hull; and it was thought worth while to build a second one for them. But instead of merely making the customary repairs of wear and tear, Mr. ISHERWOOD managed to introduce "radical improvements," so utterly inefficient that a Board, in rebuking them, said in effect that the *Princeton's* engines would have done well enough—if let alone. It hardly needed a Board to confirm what was so obvious.

The "Erie experiments" followed, mainly designed, it would seem, to expose the Sickles cut-off, which Mr. ISHERWOOD had previously advocated by proving that the established theory regarding the expansive action of steam, everywhere acknowledged, was a myth. It was believed at the time that these new notions would give their author a "European reputation;" and so they did, but it was a very unflattering one, and has been unfortunate for the prestige, as well as the practice, of our navy.

The labors of Mr. ISHERWOOD at the head of the Steam Bureau, during our war, are probably too familiar to need more than a brief recapitulation. First we got from him the 23 *gunboats*, amazingly deficient in speed, notwithstanding their "modern improvements." Next came a batch of 8 or 9 sloops of the *Ossipee* and *Juniata* class, which were worse than the gunboats because larger and more costly. Then came 40 or 50 "double-enders,"—and when we mention that word "double-ender," it needs no qualifying epithet. There were then begun 20 sloops still larger, of the *Guerrière* and *Piscataqua* class, noted on foreign stations for their slow speed and enormous loads of new-fangled machinery. About ten of these are completed, and the engines of the rest are carefully packed away—the contractors having first been settled with. Finally, in a desperate effort to secure speed at any cost of efficiency, came the *Wampanoag* class, which the Naval Committee, through Mr. KELLEY, thus describes:

"Under the management of our present Engineer-in-Chief, the cherished head of the engineer corps of the navy, we have a ship said to be the fleetest on the ocean, the *Wampanoag*, but which cannot carry her own fuel for a month together with food for the competent number of officers and men for the same time. So much of her room is taken up by engines, coal-bunkers, fire-room, &c., that the officers in command of what is boasted of as the fleetest ship in the world are compelled to occupy quarters less commodious than are allowed on ordinary merchant ships moved by steam."

Now, if the upshot of this long story (a story of a good many millions of dollars) is that our ships bear such a character as they do; that, with splendid models, our entire war screw fleet is a comparative failure; that where we have speed we have almost no battery-power or cruising comfort or economy of fuel, and where we have these or any of them, we have so little speed—surely, the tardy discovery that we ought to have the machinery of our ships constructed like that of other Powers, is a pretty important one.

Take the mere matter of economy. Mr. KELLEY says he thinks there would have been "a saving of hundreds of millions" to the country, had a competent man been at the head of the Steam Bureau during the last eight years. Let us call it *ten* millions, and surely it was worth saving. The Naval Committee says that "if merely our ships could move under sail," on station duty, "it would save every day to the Treasury more than the annual salary of the Engineer-in-Chief." That is worth saving even now.

And yet it would appear, from the discussion, that it was not so much these facts as alleged "stupid or corrupt transactions," to some of which Mr. KELLEY referred, and of which he somewhat tersely said he had a "vast mass more damning" behind, that aroused the attention of Congress. Otherwise, apparently, our old system might have gone on for eight years longer. It was maintained in debate that up to this time subordinate officers have glossed over the failures of their chief, and supported his theories and practice. The only remedy for such an *esprit de corps* is, of course, to throw open the office itself to the competition of trained constructing engineers, of whom our country has so many. That this will now be accomplished seems beyond doubt.

MINOR TOPICS.

It appears that the Paris Conference will furnish a pacific solution of the Turkish question. That was undoubtedly the determination of all the representatives of the Conference when it was called; and we have never doubted that it would end in this way.

The bill to repeal the Tenure-of-Office law, originally enacted to hamper JOHNSON in his appointments, was passed in the House yesterday,—only *forty-seven* members voting against it. That every one of these forty-seven was a Republican is rather a curious and significant circumstance. It shows that forty-seven Republicans in the House have less confidence in Gen. GRANT than the Democrats. The list of negatives will reward inspection. The repealing bill now goes to the Senate, where it is not likely to be so favorably received. The Tenure-of-Office act gives the Senate a very great share in the Executive power; and that body has evinced anything but a willingness to lay aside any power whatever once placed in its hands. It is much more likely to grasp after more.

It now turns out that the Legislature of 1868 empowered the Mayor, Comptroller and Street Commissioner to enter into a contract for the removal of snow from Broadway, at a cost not exceeding $100,000 each Winter. This is an item of news for many people; but if the authority exists, we wonder no attempt has been made to carry it into effect. Mayor HALL would do well to investigate the matter, and see if the experiment might not be successfully tried. If Broadway can be kept clear of snow each Winter for $100,000, no one would be likely to regret the expenditure.

The earthquakes seem to have abandoned California, the West Indies, Ireland and other well-regulated countries, and betaken themselves to the more congenial so

thought, would be speedily followed by renewed animation and firmness.

We hardly think it necessary for shop-owners to choose the slush season for filling the streets and gutters with their garbage and sweepings. Mr. WHITING gives enough provocatives to profanity to satisfy the most malignant hater of his race. One nuisance at a time is sufficient—it is only a refinement of cruelty to make the sidewalks and streets more detestable than he leaves them at this season.

It is reported from Washington that the excellent Chaplain of the House has been placed in a very unpleasant quandary by the champions of rival schemes for settling our financial difficulties, each one of whom desires the benefit of the Doctor's prayers. He is quite ready to pray for the success of any loyal plan, and his wish to please is only equaled by his unwillingness to offend. In this dilemma he might follow the shrewd example of an old Newburyport clergyman, who was requested by rival sea-captains, sailing in exactly opposite directions, to pray for a fair wind. Both the old sea-dogs, grim and determined, were on hand Sunday morning, to see that neither got an unfair advantage; but the clergyman was equal to the occasion. He offered an earnest petition for the success and safety of each of his seafaring parishioners, and wound up with an appeal for a "*sidling* wind!" Unless we greatly underrate the Chaplain's abilities, he must be able to frame a "sidling" petition that shall please everybody and answer all practical purposes.

One object of the National Bricklayer's Convention, now in session at Washington, is said to be to determine whether some more rational and fruitful measure of redress for labor cannot be had than through the rude weapon of the "strike." We do not look very hopefully for a practical result—if it *were* achieved, it would be nothing less than the settlement of one of the main industrial problems of the day.

We have now had congratulations from the uttermost parts of the earth upon the Presidential election, and, curiously enough, though the most extraordinary variations have been played upon Mr. COLFAX's name—say in the regions of Timbuctoo and those of the Cannibal Islands—yet GRANT's name is always reported aright. This must be an immeasurable consolation to the *World*, which spent the best part of three months in trying to find out what GRANT's name was, so as to guard the *other* and less intelligent world from error. By the way, how is it that we havn't heard from the *World* lately on this subject?

A well-known City missionary, who has read the recently-published annual report of the Board of Excise, which shows a decrease of 2,419 liquor shops in this City since the law was begun to be enforced, is dubious concerning the truth of the statement. He cites the fact, in support of his misgivings, that for two years past he has walked every day through one of the most popular thoroughfares a distance of two miles, carefully noting the grog shops, without discovering a single one to have been closed during that period. This is doubtless true; but it affords no conclusive argument against the correctness of the report of the Excise Commissioners. The liquor shops which have been closed were those of the more disreputable kind, in the worst neighborhoods, and the general effect of the law has been to gradually elevate the character of the licensed houses. The Excise law has been of great advantage by decreasing the number of arrests for drunkenness, giving us comparatively quiet Sundays, and putting over four millions of dollars in the Treasury,—a sum which was formerly lost to us by the non-enforcement of the Excise law.

The Sultan ABDUL ASSIZ has a fleet of eight formidable iron-clads which would make short work of King GEORGE's little wooden armament in the Piræus—to say nothing of the thirty other more old-fashioned war-ships, all under the command of the Anglo-Moslem Admiral, HOBART. The ten Greek fighting vessels (so called) would find it the best of their strategy to "cut and run" among the friendly archipelagos. The Hellenes are "good marines and famous corsairs," like the English of traveler HENTZNER's day, (1500,) but they would certainly be beaten In a contest with the Turks, and it is very likely that England and France, and the rest of that pentarchy, would let them have their great pride and petulancy drubbed out of them. These Powers are not disposed to "sail in" just now. There is no *fête-montée* like old Czar NICHOLAS, among them, and they are so terribly armed that they are, in a great degree, afraid of a general *mêlée*.

As the question of woman's suffrage has become so prominent, it is rather remarkable that no member of Congress, either in the Senate or House, has yet appeared as its especial champion. We give the hint gratis that here is a chance for a great reputation to be won. As some legislators have gained laurels in other times by espousing the cause of tariff, or free trade, or secession, or abolition, or whatever other question may have been the uppermost one of the hour, and devoting their work to and hinging their fame upon this one point, so here now is a fresh field for some aspiring Congressman. Outside of Congress there are many champions of the new cause; but the man *in* Congress who will make this his "hobby," his "one idea," has not yet come forward. He must be a man, who, like the old Senator with his *Carthago est delenda*, will end every speech with "Give woman a vote." We have pointed out the field—now, who is the man?

The practice the Massachusetts Governors have of delivering a farewell address on retiring from office, is useful in many respects. It brings the valedictory of the old officer, and the salutatory of the new, in immediate comparison, since they are made public at about the same time. What with the retrospective glance of the one, and the prospective glance of the other, the real situation of public affairs ought to become clear. The outgoing Governor can do that justice to the past which might escape the incoming Governor, naturally intent on the future; and the latter can tone down the former's over-colored view of what has been done, by showing how much more remains to do. Thus the two views are mutually corrective; and as, in practice hitherto, both have invariably been candid and courteous, on the whole, the plan is a good one, both to guide legislation and to assist the popular understanding of affairs.

The short-hand reporters of this City, who use the phonographic system, have resolved themselves into a league or guild, the object being to advance the interests of their craft. The demand for first-class phonographers increases each year; their services being found of great value in all the law courts, where the preservation of *verbatim* reports of testimony materially expedites business. The pay of good short-hand reporters is from $4,000 to $6,000 a year, and there is not a sufficient number of properly-qualified members of the profession in this City. In view of the needs of the future it is proposed to teach the art of phonographic writing to the advanced pupils of the public schools.

It is curious to consider how the spirit of *Joe Bounderby* runs through society. We are, in general, for belittling everybody we would commend; we relish poor origins and flourish them affectionately. One cherished American was "the Mill-boy of the Slashes," another was "a rail-splitter," another a tailor, another was a "tanner's boy." Mr. Senator SCOTT, of Pennsylvania, is the latest of the tanner's boys. "I knew you when you hadn't a shirt to your back!" said an old joker to a younger Irishman, who did not *remember* it, and who knocked him down. This was long ago. Nobody now would knock another down for such a compliment. He would be proud to see it quoted in print, and go about with the air of the aforesaid *Bounderby*. A few years ago a gentleman made a tremendous pile in a year, or less. Afterward he got on a platform and said he "once came into that town with only a half-dollar in his pocket." He went down to his house whitewashed—very nearly.

Rev. Messrs. DAVIDS and SCOUZ, now about to sail for China and Japan, in the *Alaska*, are going with the best wishes of a great many, on an errand which is likely to prove more arduous and expensive than remunerative in conversions—such being the report of our missions in general. There is no danger of American missionaries complicating our relations with those two imperial Governments, like the Englishmen who caused the recent imbroglio. The Chinese and Japanese rulers and people strongly dislike this religious interference; and it is only when the commercial and other social considerations shall have prepared the way, that our missionaries will be able to reap the advantages they promise themselves. To this end they should eschew everything like offensive propagandism, which never yet prospered among those Eastern pagans, and which would destroy whatever chance of success they may have at present.

The last of the splenetic diatribes of the *Saturday Review* upon women, is entitled "Grim Females." It opens thus:

"Almost all histories and mythologies embody the idea of a race of grim females. Whether as fabulous and complex monsters, like the Sphinx and the Harpies, or in the more human forms of the Fates and the Furies, unsexed women have been universally recognized as forming part of the system of nature, and to be accepted among the stranger manifestations of human life. Yet it is hard to understand why they should exist at all."

The different kinds of the Grim Female are fully described, and the different traits of the various kinds. If the grim female is born grim, she remains grim to the end. The grim female must be carefully distinguished from the masculine woman. The grim female is not necessarily a strong-minded woman, though she may be. And so the *Review* goes on, piquantly and bitterly, till the grim female stands before us like an old-world Gorgon, turning living flesh and blood to stone. The article thus closes:

"Weak women, vain women, affected women, and the whole class of silly women, whatever the specialty of silliness exhibited, are tiresome enough, Heaven knows; but, unsatisfactory as they are, they are better than the grim female—that woman of no sex, born without softness or sympathy, and living without pity and without love."

We would advise the *Revolution* to copy the article on the "Grim Female" for the benefit of its readers.

The Woman's Hospital.

Dr. CHAPIN is to deliver a new lecture on Wednesday evening at the Cooper Institute, and from the nature of the subject—"Columbus"—we may be pretty sure that his hearers will enjoy one of his best efforts. Among our popular lecturers this distinguished divine has no superior and few rivals in the power of investing a subject with interest. A hard student as well as an impressive and spirited speaker, he makes his lectures really instructive, so that his audiences are not only pleased while they listen, but go away feeling that they have really gained something by passing an evening with him. The occasion of the delivery of his new lecture has an interesting connection with its subject; for he is to speak in aid of the cherished project of a great discoverer—a Columbus in the art of surgery, Dr. MARION SIMS. The lecture is for the benefit of the Woman's Hospital, an institution in which he first practiced and brought to perfection that great operation which relieves the sex of the most deplorable of the calamities which sometimes wait upon maternity. COLUMBUS had not so high a motive when he set out to win a new way to the wealth of the Indies, as stirred this American surgeon when he bent all his energies to the discovery of some remedy for one of the woes of women, which, until he accomplished his great task, was pronounced irremediable. ISABELLA pawned her jewels to help that discoverer; she might well have given them ten times over to help this one, who has brought happiness to so many of her sex that would otherwise have been suffering in despair. Entertainments for charitable objects often fail, it is said, by very reason of their object. But it will be to the shame of our people should this one not more than meet the expectations of its projectors; for there is not a benevolent institution that has a higher claim upon the sympathies of every woman, and much more of every man, and hardly one which is more in need of present help, than this noble Woman's Hospital.

Opera Bouffe.

"L'Œil Crevé," by HERVÉ, was brought out last evening by Mr. GRAU, at the Theatre Francais, with a fair degree of success. It needs further comment than we can bestow upon it to-day, but we may record that the reception was favorable. The production generally is creditable to the management, the dresses being particularly good.

Dramatic Fund Ball.

The masked and fancy dress ball for the benefit of the Dramatic Fund took place last night at the Academy of Music, and was very well attended, notwithstanding the unfavorable weather. As it was given under the auspices of leading merchants, bankers and lawyers of the City, those present were well-bred people and dressed in excellent taste. As every lady's costume was, to a great extent, a fancy dress, there were many who did not attempt any particular character. Many, also, did not wear masks, conscious that they were in company they had been accustomed to, and feeling no necessity for disguise. Notwithstanding this, the character costumes were numerous and very good. Among the ladies there were the usual number of Red Riding Hoods, Mary Stuarts, vivandieres, flower girls, shepherdesses, powdered dames of last century, &c., and the gentlemen exhibited costumes of FRANCIS I., HENRY VIII., CHARLES II., &c., though the large majority, as seems usual at masquerades, were in plain evening dress. Fancy costumes do not seem to find much favor with the gentlemen of this City. They are costly and involve the additional expense of a carriage. It is to be regretted that it is fast becoming a custom, at masked balls, to come very late. Dancing did not begin last night until after 11 o'clock. The decorations of the Academy presented their usual brilliancy, and were not increased for the occasion beyond a painted representation of a statue of SHAKESPEARE at the back of the stage, surmounted by the words "Dramatic Fund" in gas-jet letters. SHAKESPEARE was also flanked on each side by two painted mythological statues similar to his own. Toward 1 o'clock members of the theatrical companies attended in large numbers. To specify them were needless. It is only necessary to imagine nearly every leading actor and actress in the city, with many of minor repute. The ballet of *Humpty Dumpty* and Tammany were also well represented. These ladies were all in character dresses, and were generally masked. Messrs. ASHMAN & MONTON furnished a very fine supper.

William B. Read.

On Sunday night last Mr. WILLIAM B. READ, of Brooklyn, E. D., one of the few survivors of the War of 1812, departed this life at the age of 78 years, after a prolonged and painful illness. The deceased soldier served with distinction during the second war with England, and subsequently filled various important and trustworthy public positions with credit to himself and the Government. For several years past Mr. READ was engaged in the New-York General Post Office, but his health gradually failed, and he was compelled to retire. The deceased was highly respected by a numerous circle of friends, to whom his loss will prove irreparable.

FOREIGN NEWS BY MAIL.

ARRIVAL OF THE BREMEN STEAMSHIP UNION.

The North German Lloyd steamship *Union*, Capt. VAETJEN, from Bremen, Dec. 26, and Southampton, Dec. 29, arrived at this port yesterday afternoon. She brings accounts of disastrous gales in England, the details of which will be found below.

The Paris *Liberté* of Dec. 26 publishes a letter dated Paris, Dec. 21, from HENRI DE BOURBON, brother of the Ex-King of Spain, addressed to the Provisional Government. The writer attacks vigorously the ambition of the Duke DE MONTPENSIER, declares that the glory of WASHINGTON is far more enviable than that of CÆSAR, and asks to be permitted to return to Spain as a mere citizen, and again take service in the Spanish navy.

The Paris correspondent of the London *Daily News* writes: "The Prince of the Asturias sent the Prince Imperial a splendid writing-desk for a Christmas-box on Dec. 25. The present was returned the next day by a large cargo of toys, which the Prince Imperial took to the Pavilion Rohan himself. It is easy to understand that the Empress (formerly Mdle. de MONTIJO) feels enormous pleasure at the power of patronizing the Queen who was once her sovereign, and, moreover, she is very glad that her son should have a playmate somewhat nearer his own rank than the sons of Dr. CONNEAU and the late Count WALEWSKI. On the other hand, ISABELLA, in her fallen state, cannot but be pleased at being treated as an equal at the palace of a reigning monarch."

Prince NAPOLEON has been seriously ill, and confined to his bed in the Palais Royal. At last accounts his health was improving.

Five gallant Frenchmen perished at Boulogne on Sunday, Dec. 27, in the attempt to rescue the crew of a disabled English schooner ashore off the jetty. They formed part of the crew of the lifeboat which was overturned.

The East India papers contain the confession of a mild Hindoo, named RAMADHEEN, not quite 21 years of age, who for the last twenty months has followed the calling of poisoner. He calls his victims "shikar," (game,) and alleges no other excuse for his practices than that it was very dull at home in his village. The number of his victims is about thirty, most of them either Brahmins or Paqueers.

STORMS IN ENGLAND.

Disastrous Gales—Loss of Life and Great Destruction of Property.

From the London Morning Star, Dec. 29.

The fearful gales of the past week seemed to have reached their climax on Sunday last, when the wind blew with terribly destructive force nearly all over the country, but after the comparative calm of Sunday night and for a few hours yesterday morning, caused by the wind veering to northwest, the wind, which has not for several days actually dropped, freshened once more into a gale of great violence, and gradually attained the full force of a hurricane, with the strength of which it blew during the greater part of the afternoon and evening. Anything at all resembling it has not been experienced since the memorable gale of January last, when it will be remembered many persons were killed in the metropolis. The disasters, as far as are yet known, to life, property and shipping, are too sadly apparent, but the full extent of the gale will not be known for some days. Sunday's list of destruction to life and property is in itself a long one, but it is now greatly augmented. Early yesterday morning, after the gale had reached and wind had slightly lulled, the moon, which was at its full, shone out with a brightness seldom witnessed, the sky at the same time being beautifully clear. Between 5 and 6 o'clock it was freezing hard, a fact not only testified by the thermometer, which registered a few degrees below freezing point, but also by the state of the roads, which, in exposed situations, were rendered quite hard. Later on in the morning the barometer continued to register a slow but gradual fall in the mercury, and it is a significant fact, as showing the advancement which has been made in meteorology, that every seaport received full warning of what might be expected, and at about 11 o'clock the wind was blowing a gale, not only in the metropolis, but, according to reports received at the Meteorological Department, all round the coast. At 12 o'clock it had attained almost the strength of a hurricane, and later on in the day it gained additional strength. As each strong gust of wind blew, chimney-pots, in all directions, flew off houses, signboards were blown down, and damage done in various ways to house property. At about 3:30 the force of the wind was so great that the position of persons walking in the streets was rendered very dangerous; and in some parts of the metropolis, as well as in the city, large numbers of persons, more especially ladies, were, as it appeared, almost panic-stricken by the fact of tiles, boards, zinc, and other chimneys, &c., falling round them; it is, of course, needless to say that the number of accidents from this cause alone is very large, as the cases treated at the hospitals prove, but besides these, there are no doubt many cases which have not yet been reported. It is estimated that at least about 100 persons have been injured in the streets, and some of the cases are of a serious nature, so that death will probably result. In all parts of the metropolis the damage done has been immense, every thoroughfare bearing full evidence of the fearful force of the wind. In the suburbs, where the wind had greater play, chimneys, conservatories, and other buildings which could hardly be expected to resist the force of such a wind have been destroyed or greatly damaged; and in one case of this kind, at Stockwell, a servant was almost killed by the falling materials. The poor fellow, whose name is understood to be HENRY MARTIN, about 32 years of age, was engaged about 4 o'clock in the afternoon making efforts to shield with canvas and poles a large conservatory, and had nearly succeeded, when a terrific gust of wind blew a portion of the conservatory down, and the canvas and falling materials knocking him down, he was fearfully injured about the head and face with the glass, and injured on other parts of his body by the ruins. At Clapham, the roof of a stable was blown off about 2 o'clock, and a horse killed. In the same parish a little girl and a boy were seriously cut and bruised by the falling rubbish of a chimney-stack which was blown down. The children were at the time in the nursery of a ten-roomed house, in Clapham Park, and the materials which injured them fell into the middle of the room. On the Common the destructive effects of the hurricane were visible in the appearance of large trees, which were almost denuded of limbs, branches, small twigs being uprooted. On Wandsworth Common several trees were blown down, and on Tooting Common similar effects of the storm were observable. The trees and shrubs in the various royal parks have been greatly damaged. In Regent's Park and Hyde Park, which are more exposed than the others, several trees have been blown down and other damage done. This, however, will bear no comparison with what was witnessed in Richmond Park, Hampton Court, and other royal property. It is stated that at the former places such a destructive storm has not been experienced for many years, the ground being literally covered with broken branches and timbers. Along the line of country traversed by the railways, cottages are unroofed, haystacks and barns blown down, and great damage done. On many of the lines themselves the late heavy rains have in cuttings laid the rails under the loosened the foundations on which the sleepers rest, necessitating constant care and examination. No accident has as yet been reported; the cause of many of the trains arriving late in London yesterday being more attributable to the action of the wind, which considerably impeded their motion. Engine drivers state that with heavy luggage trains progress could only be made with the full steam power applied. Telegraph posts have been blown down, and other damage done. In Lambeth, yesterday, a portion of a house which was in course of removal for the improvements which are being carried out, was blown down, and two men injured. At Battersea, about a hundred houses were seriously damaged, and in the Lower Wandsworth-road a man was knocked down by the lamp of a public-house which was blown down. When the poor fellow was picked up, he was insensible, and it was found that he had sustained some severe scalp injuries. At Kennington great damage was done to house property, one house being unroofed. No serious accidents were, however, reported. In the northern and eastern districts of the metropolis great damage was also done, and many persons were treated at the hospitals for injuries occasioned by the wind.

On the river the scene yesterday was even more exciting than it was on Sunday last, when several vessels were injured by collisions with others with loss of life. On Sunday night at high tide the wind had lulled, and an apprehension which in the early part of the afternoon were entertained for the safety of large numbers of small craft were for a time dispelled. Yesterday, however, not only was the navigation rendered difficult, but even dangerous. Sailing and other barges in the crowded limits of the river became almost unmanageable, and frequent accidents occurred. Many barges and small boats were sunk, and others greatly damaged. The small steamers could hardly make way up and down the river, and at low tide several of them went aground. Below London Bridge the greatest caution characterized the navigation which was carried on. No less, however, than nine collisions were reported as having occurred in less than three hours, two only of which were of a serious nature—one between a steam-tug and a large paddle-steamer, in which the cook of the latter, a black man, fell overboard and was drowned, and the other between a brig and a ship, in which two passengers were severely injured. The Captains of vessels which arrived in the Blackwall, London, and St. Katharine's Docks state that the sea in the Channel, and even at the mouth of the river, was very high, and was lashed into great fury by the hurricane. The casualties to vessels, and the total losses of others which had come under their observation, were unfortunately very numerous. The ship *Hearts of Oak* had her deck swept, two men being swept overboard. Of Deal, it is estimated that at least twenty vessels were damaged. All round this coast the gale was fearful, and many lives, it is feared, have been lost On the east coast several disasters to shipping are reported at Lowestoft and Yarmouth. At the former port the ship *Wellington*, bound from Sunderland to Folkestone, came in collision with a large vessel and was greatly damaged; the *Mary and John*, from Sunderland for Ipswich, had her bows stove in and lost her bowsprit after collision with a brig. A brig, believed to be the *Isabella*, also of Sunderland, but bound for London, has been ashore on the Gut, but was got off by the beachmen and boatmen. Two vessels which had been abandoned had been taken into the harbor. The ship *Merton*, which was bound for Wivenhoe, encountered fearful seas, and came in collision with another vessel belonging to Faversham, called the *Saucy Lass*. The latter sank, and the master and a boy were drowned.

Last night the wind moderated, but the barometer was not steady, and more rough weather is expected.

THE GALE AT LIVERPOOL.

From a late hour on Saturday night up to an early hour yesterday morning, a terrific storm of wind, accompanied by blinding showers of rain and hail, passed over Liverpool and its neighborhood. The direction of the wind was generally from west to northwest, and the storm was at the fiercest point between 1 and 4:30 o'clock P. M., on Sunday afternoon. The scene on the Mersey was a very stormy one, but, owing to the river being comparatively free of shipping, there are few disasters to record. One vessel, the *Violetta*, had a very narrow escape in the Sloyne. While being towed up the river she was caught in a terrific squall, and knocked over almost on her beam ends. Assistance was at once rendered, and the ship removed from her dangerous position. The eastern portion of the town suffered very severely—chimney-pots and slates were flying about in all directions, and several foot passengers had narrow escapes from the falling slates, &c. At the extreme north end of the town, however, the storm caused a vast amount of damage to houses in exposed positions. At Bootle one large house, just ready for roofing, had its western gable blown in, and several jerry-built houses were roughly handled. All along the road from Bootle, Seaforth and Waterloo to Blundell Sands, the storm played havoc with gardens, hothouses, conservatories, &c. Trees were torn up by the roots, windows blown in, and slates and tiles carried away; in fact, one or two houses near Crosby were rendered uninhabitable. When the tempest was at its height the barometer sank to 28.45, having fallen two-tenths of an inch in the course of three or four hours. Accounts from the Irish and Welsh ports describe the gale as being extremely severe. The emigrant ship *William Tapscott*, which sailed from the Mersey for New York on the 14th November, has been compelled to put back to Queenstown, leaky and disabled. A melancholy disaster occurred on Saturday night off the port. While the Cunard steamer *China* was going out of the Channel on her outward voyage to New-York, she came into collision with pilot boat No. 9 off the northwest lightship. The boat was cut to the water's edge, and was with great difficulty kept afloat until it reached Liverpool. Twelve of the pilots managed to scramble on board the *China*, and were taken to Queenstown, where they were transhipped to the steamer *Nebraska*, and sent on to Liverpool. The weather was very stormy and dark when the collision took place, and we regret to say one of the pilots—viz. GEORGE BROOKS and THOMAS LEE—in attempting to reach the China, fell into the sea and perished.

WEYMOUTH, Saturday Night, Dec. 26.

Throughout the whole of this afternoon and evening the wind has been blowing a perfect gale, accompanied by very heavy storms, rendering the sea in the Channel of the most tempestuous nature. The only casualty at present known of is that which has occurred to the steam-ship *Borussia*, which has broken her main shaft. She was bound from New York to Hamburg, is of 2,400 tons, and commanded by Capt. FLAVERS. When about 700 miles westward of Portland the accident occurred, in consequence of which she set sail and made up the Channel. On Friday she fell in with the screw-steamer *Great Yarmouth*, bound for Havre, which took her in tow; but, on account of the heavy sea which was then running, the tow-line broke, and the *Great Yarmouth* was compelled to leave her. Before parting company, however, the *Great Yarmouth* took some of the *Borussia's* passengers, and landed them at Portland. Capt. FLAVERS asked these to send some tugs to his assistance, and the *Commodore*, from Plymouth, immediately proceeded to her rescue. In the meantime the *Borussia* had been brought up about three miles south of the Shambles lightship. The wind then changed to the westward, and, in company with the *Commodore*, she was safely anchored in Portland Roads. If the weather moderates, the *Commodore* will tow the *Borussia* to Southampton, where her shaft will be repaired.

A School Blown Down—Four Hundred Persons Buried.

From the London Daily News, Dec. 29.

A shocking calamity occurred at Rochdale on Sunday. The weather in that town was boisterous, and the wind blew in fearful gusts in the streets. In a new street off Spotland-road, a row of houses has just been completed, and two of them are so construced as to answer the purposes of a Sunday School. Mr. BESWICK, of Manchester, was the contractor, and Mr. TURNER, of Yorkshire-street, and Mr. WATTS, schoolmaster, were the owners, and had opened the school under the auspices of the Wesleyan body, to ascertain if a new school in that part of the town would answer. If not, the building was so constructed that at any time it could be altered into two houses. On Sunday the place was opened for service for the first time, and in the afternoon Rev. JOHN ASHWORTH, author of *Strange Tales*, preached a sermon. There were present about 400 persons. The services began at 2:30, and shortly after one of the windows was blown out by a gust of wind. Little notice was taken of it, and the service proceeded until 3:55, when another violent blast heaved up the roof, the gable end fell in, and the two side walls fell inwards, after which the roof crashed in upon the whole. A distressing scene of confusion and horror ensued. Some hundreds of the unfortunate persons managed to creep out from under the *débris*, but a large number were killed outright, and their cries for help were piteous to hear. Those that had escaped and the neighbors heroically pulled away the fallen timbers and bricks, and gradually released the unfortunate persons. The fire brigade, and Capt. DAVIES, with the Police force, soon appeared at the scene, and exerted themselves in removing the building and liberating the injured persons. Miss NUTTALL, Mary's-gate, milliner, for half an hour was imprisoned by a large beam on her feet, and she displayed great fortitude and patience until released. From the time the catastrophe happened to the time when all were taken out, about an hour and a half elapsed. So far as could be ascertained at the time, no person was killed, but the following persons were seriously injured: Miss Jane Cooper, Hudson-street, off Spotland-road, fractured forearm; Miss Mary Clegg, Spotland-road, fractured thigh; Mrs. Sarah Kay, wife of Mr. James Kay, Mitchell-street, fractured leg; Mr. James Taylor, Spotland-road, fractured forearm; Mr. James Sharples, Spotland-road, injury to back; Miss Kershaw, Simeon-street, injury to leg; Miss Sarah Trickett, injury to leg; Miss Nuttall, St. Mary's-gate, compound fracture to leg; Mr. Lomax, Back Peel-street, incised wound back of the head; Mr. Edmund Rep-ley, Molesworth-street, two or three scalp wounds; Rev. Mr. Elston, of Yorkshire-street, two large scalp wounds; Mr. Turner, draper, Yorkshire-street, bruises on the head; Alexander Pitts, son of Rev. Mr. Pitts, Lennon-street, leg and thigh broken; Mr. L. Lewis, Mitchell-street, right foot crushed; Mr. Batcliffe, of Small-street, (who some years ago rendered heroic service at a fire at Mr. Henry Kelsall's mill,) injured, but it is thought not seriously; Miss Porter, milliner, Yorkshire-street, slightly injured; Mr. Tyson, of Freeacoid, head injured.

The top part of Messrs. STOTT & PILLING'S factory chimney, at Rochdale, was blown down, and the bricks penetrated the roof of a cottage in Dawson-square, but fortunately none of the occupants were injured. Part of the front wall of a Methodist New Connexion Chapel, in the course of erection in Johnstreet, Rochdale, was also blown down.

SAFETY AT SEA.

Letter from Vice-Admiral Elliot on the Late Disaster—The Hydraulic Propeller.

To the Editor of the London Daily News:

SIR: Allow me to express my grateful thanks for the notice you were pleased to take, in a leading article in the *Daily News*, of my letter relative to the total loss of the *Hibernia*, and the sacrifice of human life which occurred under such harrowing circumstances. In that letter I appealed to the Press for support, in the cause of humanity, as well as of scientific progress, to assist me in promoting a sure measure for the prevention of these dreadful disasters.

To you alone, throughout the whole Press, are the public indebted for even a passing notice on a subject of such vital importance. My letter emanated from reading the sad details of the loss of the *Hibernia*, caused by an accident of a very ordinary occurrence to the screw propeller, whereby a leak occurred, and she foundered; and since the date of my letter information has been received that the *Cosmeda*, in the same gale, has also lost her screw propeller. Leaks in merchant ships are of frequent occurrence, and so often overcome the power of the ordinary pumps even in steamships, that great loss of life and property is incurred; but the hydraulic engine acting as an enormous pump would, in a vessel of 200 nominal horse power, discharge from the hold, if required, 400 tons of water a minute, or two, tons per minute for each nominal horse power, and there is no possibility of choking so large a discharge pipe. Mr. BUTHVEN's hydraulic engine, therefore, affords perfect security to life and property from the effects of any leak which has ever been known to occur at sea from heavy straining in bad weather; and with this new motive power no sea can injure the propeller, and no such leak as that which lost the *Hibernia* could have been caused by the violence of any gale that ever blew. These accidents to the screw and screw shaft originate generally from heavy pitching, which the overhanging weight of the stern and screw post, and the necessary fine lines of the after body of the vessel tend to render excessive, causing a heavy strain on the engines. But the hydraulic is in no way affected by heavy motion. It has been reported that in the *Waterwitch*, when pitching heavily, and rolling forty degrees, the engines worked as smoothly as if she had been at anchor, and with no vibration. If I appeal in vain to the public in the cause of humanity, can I not awaken the shipowners out of their lethargy by appealing to their pockets? Are they not sensible to the fact that, each time the screw is lifted partly or entirely out of water by the ship pitching to meet each successive wave, that each revolution of the screw in the air is so much loss of power, which is so much waste of fuel, which represents cash out of the owner's pocket; waste of steam and loss of speed both telling heavily in the calculation of profit and loss, and furnishing, I should imagine, strong grounds for the immediate attention of competitors in the freight markets of the world to the value of the hydraulic propeller, for its points of quicker voyages and a reduction of freightage, considerations which ought to stimulate the enterprise, and rouse up the faculties, and soften the prejudices of the mercantile world in this great maritime nation. Another economic consideration is afforded by the power which the absence of the screw offers to the naval architect for giving a more advantageous form to his design for a merchant vessel, and *for lessening the cost of construction*, as the hydraulic propeller may be in midships, and therefore the buoyancy of the vessel may be balanced, so as to obtain easier motion, which in a seaway gives increased speed, which is economy.

The fate of the *London* some three years ago, and the *Hibernia* lately, with, in both instances, an appalling loss of life, would have been averted had those vessels been fitted with the hydraulic propeller; and taking a world-wide glance at the destruction of life at sea, caused by foundering from leaks, or by collision, or by fire, and looking to the almost complete prevention of this daily sacrifice of life and property which is at hand, is it not wonderful perverseness that such apathy should be displayed? Two millions of money have been expended in restoring a few Abyssinian captives to home and safety, and yet I have labored with others for years in vain to obtain from the Government or from private enterprise any substantial encouragement toward the development of an invention offering such incalculable advantages to the cause of humanity and to the interests of commerce. I may be asked how the hydraulic engine is to become a means of security against fire on board a ship. I have only to point to the hydraulic fire float on the Thames to show what an extinguisher the ship's engine would become. Again, I may be asked how the hydraulic engine is to become a security against collision at sea. I have only to state that a visit to the *Nautilus*, on the Thames, will show how the officer of the watch can have the power at his command of immediately reversing the whole power of the engines, and thereby bringing his vessel to a standstill in almost her own length. I may again be asked what proofs I have of the efficiency and economy of this motive power as compared with the screw or paddle. I have only again to offer the *Nautilus* as a challenge, or to show the evidences of results of trials between that vessel and similar vessels on the Thames, and also between the *Waterwitch* and the sister vessels, the *Vixen* and *Viper*. Having so generously befriended this invention so far, may I hope that you will return again and again to the subject, until the lethargy of official life, and the prejudice of scientific critics, and the power of moneyed interests, are overcome? Again I challenge contradiction to my statements, and court the strictest scientific inquiry into the evidence of facts which can be produced before any competent and unprejudiced tribunal. I have confined these remarks entirely to merchant vessels, but for war purposes this new motive power displays still greater peculiar advantages.

I am, &c., GEO. ELLIOT, Vice-Admiral.

PERSONAL AND LITERARY.

Gen. SICKLES, who was recently elected a member of the Republican General Committee (Conservative) for this City, states that he declines the appointment on the ground that he "cannot, without prejudice to other duties, take part in local politics."

Mr. PETER R. DEYO, whom many of our citizens will remember as an advertising agent, but who left that business to enlist during the war, proposes to resume his former occupation. His health has been a good deal impaired, but he still has the strength and energy requisite for the success which we hope he will command.

Among the passengers per steamer *Champion* for Aiken, S. C., were THURLOW WEED and daughter, Mrs. J. C. DERBY and daughters, and several other New-Yorkers. Mr. WEED visits Aiken per advice of his physician, and it is hoped that the mild climate of that favorite resort for invalids will greatly aid the restoration of Mr. WEED's health.

The London *Art Journal* for December, (New-York, VIRTUE & YORSTON,) contains three full-page steel engravings, after paintings by artists of distinction, and several illustrated articles. With the number for January will commence Volume VIII. of the new series. The publishers have secured the cooperation of the best writers and artists, and will labor to maintain for the *Journal* the high position in public favor it has held so long.

The publishers of *Putnam's Magazine* offer a liberal compensation for the best articles on the following themes:

I. Hotels—The management of, and the abuses thereof; with reference to the relative economies of housekeeping and domestic life generally. To be enlivened and fortified by actual facts, anecdotes and statistics.

II. Advertising and Advertising Agencies—Their uses and abuses.

III. Traveling Facilities in the United States, and the reforms needed therein.

Sir HENRY LYTTON BULWER has undertaken the "Life and Correspondence of Lord PALMERSTON," which will be published by Mr. BENTLEY.

A son of Sir ROWLAND HILL has invented and patented a machine for stamping letters. By its help as many as 218 letters can be "single-stamped" and 180 "double-stamped" in a minute.

Gen. FRANCIS A. WALKER, for the last year connected with the editorial department of the Springfield *Republican*, goes to Washington at the close of this week to take charge of the statistical work in the Revenue Department under Mr. WELLS, which Mr. DELMAR attempted to do.

Mr. JAMES DISRAELI, brother of the Ex-Prime Minister, died of heart disease on the 23d ult.

The London *Review* complains that the almanacs of the period are getting a little "pronounced." There is one now for sale, it says, consisting altogether of pictures of ladies in costumes of a most suggestive style, and although the drawing of the figures cannot be objected to, it may not be quite safe for children to see about a house sketches such as are usually confined to bachelors' chambers.

BRENTANO has received the *Pall Mall Budget*, *Saturday Review*, and all the other London weeklies, critical, illustrated and humorous, none the worse for having been detained a few days by the Atlantic storms.

The Boston underwriters have presented $1,000 to Capt. MURPHY, of the Cunard steamship *Tarifa*, as a testimonial to his seamanship in bringing his vessel into port with steering apparatus of spars and ropes after the vessel's rudder breaking.

Gov. CLAFLIN, of Massachusetts, has appointed CHARLES H. TAYLOR, a newspaper reporter, his private secretary.

The French Emperor in return for a proof copy of M. GUSTAVE DORE's Illustrations of Dante, sent the artist a pencil surmounted with a large diamond. The following autograph letter accompanied the present:

Monsieur DORE: Your pencil produces such beautiful things that I should be pleased if you would do something for my sake with the pencil I now send you.—NAPOLEON.

Ex.-Gov. PICKENS is seriously ill at his residence near Edgefield, S. C.

HARVEY SANFORD, President of the New-Haven Bank, died on Saturday in the 84th year of his age.

Hon. J. A. NICHOLSON, Delaware's Representative in Congress, is becoming a formidable rival of Mr. THOMAS F. BAYARD for the United States Senatorship from that State.

The prominent arrivals at the principal hotels in the City yesterday were as follows: Mr. De Lena, Consul-General of Italy, is at the Clarendon Hotel. Congressman Hubbell, of Coxsackie, is at the Hoffman House. Gen. H. P. Adams, of the United States Army, is at the St. James Hotel. Gen. James McQuade, of Utica, and Hon. W. B. Craft, of Boston, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel. Hon. M. J. Harpley and T. D. S. Brooks, of London, are at the Brevoort House. Gen. F. Van Vleet, of the United States Army, is at the Metropolitan Hotel.

The Chase of the Greek War Steamer Enosis by a Turkish Frigate.

The following account of the chase of the *Enosis* by a Turkish frigate was written by an American gentlemen who was stopping at Syra at the time the Greek vessel was driven into that harbor.

SYRA, Tuesday, Dec. 15.

The *Enosis* left Psara at daylight yesterday morning, and when near the island she was suddenly surrounded by a Turkish frigate, and the *Isniden*, who gave her chase at once, and began firing at her. Of course, the *Enosis* got up full steam, and then an exciting race began for life and death. The *Enosis* being armed with two heavy Armstrong guns fired in her turn three shots at the frigate and one, at the *Isniden*, when the platform of the after cannon becoming broken she could not fire any more, and there was no time for them to get the bow chaser brought astern. The three shots at the frigate took effect, and did a great deal of damage, while the one at the *Isniden* went straight into her hull in the bows, and knocked away some spars and rops also. In the meantime the frigate and the *Isniden* were pouring shot after shot at the brave little *Enosis* until she was nearly in the harbor. Luckily not one of the shot hit her, and the swift and gallant blockade runner, with flags flying, entered the harbor, amid the frantic *vivas* of nearly the whole population, who were assembled at the Niaari, on the top of the houses, in fact upon every spot where they could get a view of the little steamer running the gauntlet through the Turkish vessels and their boasted Admiral. The frigate and the *Isniden*, after remaining stationary for awhile near the Lighthouse Island, then came toward the port in full speed, and presently anchored off the mouth of the harbor. In the interim, the *Enosis* was got safely moored as far in the port as possible, and was prepared to be sunk in case the Turks should attempt to cut her out. Pending the anchoring of the Turkish vessels of war the excitement was intense in our town, as we did not exactly know how far the Turks might proceed after their humiliating discomfiture. There was some idea of arming the whole population

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No. 42 Wall-st.

MERCHANTS' AND MECHANICS' NATIONAL BANK OF TROY.—Notice is hereby given that a vote of the shareholders owning two-thirds of the capital of this Association for the liquidation and be closed, has been taken, and that this Association is closing up its affairs accordingly.
And the holders of the notes of this Association and other creditors thereof are hereby notified to present said notes and other claims against this Association for payment at the banking-house of said Association in the City of Troy.
Dated TROY, Dec. 31, 1868.
By order of the Board of Directors.
FRS. SIMS, Cashier.
This Bank has reorganized as a State Institution and will continue business as usual, under the name of The Merchants' and Mechanics' Bank of Troy.

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CONSOLIDATION COAL COMPANY OF MARYLAND—BONDS WANTED.—This Company desires to purchase for its Sinking Fund, an amount of its mortgage bonds equal to $2,000 in cash, and will receive proposals for the surrender to it of any of said bonds to that extent. Proposals should be addressed to the "Committee on Sinking Fund," at the office of the Company, No. 71 Broadway, on or before the 12th of January, 1869, at 12 o'clock M., when the same will be opened and the amount awarded to the most favorable bidders for the Company.
JAMES B. MACKIE, Vice-President.

TENTH NATIONAL BANK,
No. 25 BROAD-ST., CORNER EXCHANGE-PLACE,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking-house, No. 25 Broad-st., corner Exchange-place, on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 o'clock P. M.
J. H. STOUT, Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE EAGLE FIRE COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Company and for Inspectors will be held at the Company's office, No. 71 Wall-st., on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869, commencing at 12 o'clock M. and closing at 1 o'clock P. M.
C. GILFERT, Secretary.

UNION TRUST COMPANY OF NEW-YORK,
No. 73 BROADWAY, CORNER OF PINE-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 8, 1869.
AN ELECTION FOR FIFTEEN TRUSTEES of the Union Trust Company of New-York, first-class, will be held at the office of the Company, No. 73 Broadway, on TUESDAY, Jan. 19, 1869, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
C. D. LELAND, Secretary.

BROADWAY INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 159 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 9, 1869.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Company will be held at their office on TUESDAY, the 19th instant, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
JOHN WRAY, Secretary.

THE IMPORTERS' AND TRADERS' NATIONAL BANK OF NEW-YORK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking-house, No. 247 Broadway, on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869. Polls open from 12 M. to 1 P. M.
E. H. PERKINS, Jr., Cashier.

PHENIX NATIONAL BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 29, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking-house, No. 46 Wall-st., on TUESDAY, the 12th day of January next. Polls open from 12 M. to 1 P. M.
JOHN PARKER, Cashier.

THE MARKET NATIONAL BANK,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 2, 1869.
THE REGULAR ANNUAL ELECTION for Directors of this Bank will be held at the banking house TUESDAY, 12th inst., the Polls Open from 12 to 1 o'clock, noon.
A. GILBERT, Cashier.

PACIFIC NATIONAL BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR THIRTEEN Directors will be held at their banking-house on TUESDAY, the 12th day of January next, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 o'clock P. M.
E. BUCK, Cashier.

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THE INSURERS' INDEMNITY COMPANY
OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.

This Company was chartered by the Legislature of the State of New-York, at its last session, with a capital of $500,000, with liberty to increase the same to $2,000,000. Its object is to afford to those holding policies of insurance, issued by Fire or Marine Insurance Companies, an additional security against any possible loss or damage. For a very small consideration the Company will guarantee to the holder of any policy it may approve the full payment of any loss insured against; under such policy, and will also afford information and assistance to persons desirous of obtaining insurance, and who may wish such additional guarantee.

The advantages which this Company offers to the business community, to persons holding real estate in trust, to corporations and others leaning money on Bond and Mortgage, and to all whose interest it is to have certain indemnity in case of loss, when it can be procured at a very trifling additional premium, are such that it is believed that the business of the Company will be very remunerative, and that an investment in its stock will be exceedingly safe and profitable.

Books of Subscription to the amount of $250,000 of the capital stock will be opened at the National Broadway Bank, on the 13th day of January, 1869.

Any further information which may be desired, in relation to the Company, may be obtained at the office of the Corporators, No. 117 Broadway, Room No. 23, between the hours of 12 M. and 3 o'clock P. M. each day.
JAN. 2, 1869.

WILLIAM A. DARLING,
CORNELIUS H. DELAMATER,
WILLIAM H. LEE,
Commissioners appointed by the Act of Incorporation.

IMPORTANT TO INVESTORS.

GEORGIA 7 PER CENT. BONDS.
ALABAMA 8 PER CENT. BONDS.

We offer for sale a limited amount of the above bonds at prices which yield a better interest than any security, equally safe, that is now offered on the market.
The debt of Alabama is less than.....$5,080,000
The debt of Georgia is less than..... 4,000,000
At present prices they pay as follows:

ALABAMAS, 9 per cent. interest.	
GEORGIAS, 7¾ per cent. interest.	

The Georgia bonds are secured by a first mortgage on two railroads in that State, worth more than double the amount of the debt.
For full particulars apply to

HENRY A. HEISER'S SONS,
Bankers and Dealers in Government Securities,
No. 36 Wall-st.

N. B.—Five-twenty Coupons, due Jan. 1, cashed in Gold.

VERMILYE & CO.,
BANKERS,
REMOVED TO
NOS. 16 AND 18 NASSAU-ST.
DEALERS IN ALL ISSUES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES AND IN GOLD AND GOLD COUPONS.

CLOSING PRICES.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 11, 1869—3 P. M.

	Buy.	Sell.		Buy.	Sell.
Registered, 1881..	110¾	110¾	5-20 Coupon, '67..	112¾	113⅛
Coupon, 1881.....	112	112¾	5-20 Coupon, '68..	108¾	109
5-20 Regis., 1862..	108	108¾	10-40 Registered.	103⅜	103⅝
5-20 Coupon, '62..	112¾	112¾	10-40 Coupon.....	103⅜	103⅝
5-20 Coupon, '64..	108¾	109	Gold.....	135⅛	135⅜
5-20 Coupon, '65..	109¾	109¾	U. S. Cur. Fac....	100¾	100¾
5-20 Coupon, Jan. and July..	108½	108¾			

BUY AND SELL ON COMMISSION,
RAILWAY STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD,
MAKING LIBERAL ADVANCES.
INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

$500 REWARD.

STOLEN from the safe of MILLER & COMPANY, No. 62 Broad-st., the following United States Government Bonds, viz.: No. 58,017 and No. 84,453, of $1,000 each, five-twenties, issue of 1864; one, No. 67,453, of $1,000, and one, No. 51,345, of $500, five-twenties issue, of 1865, new series. The public are warned not to negotiate the above. The above reward will be paid for the return of said bonds to GEORGE MILLER, No. 62 Broad-st., and a proportionate reward for the recovery of any portion thereof.

WINSLOW, LANIER & CO.,
BANKERS,
NO. 27 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK,
ISSUE LETTERS OF CREDIT for Traveler's use available in all parts of the world.
GOVERNMENT AND OTHER SECURITIES bought and sold at the Stock Exchange on usual commission.
Interest allowed on deposits.

INDIANA WAR LOAN BONDS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to holders of Indiana War Loan Bonds that the Agent of State will be ready to pay the same, as provided by law, on the 1st day of May next, at his office, No. 27 Pine-st., New-York City. Holders desiring to present their Bonds for payment are required to notify the Agent of State on or before the 25th day of March.
T. A. M'CARTY, Aud. of State,
NATHAN KIMBALL, Treas. of State,
W. Q. GRESHAM, Agent of State.
Ex-officio State Debt Sinking Fund Commissioners.
INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 7, 1869.

LOUISIANA STATE EIGHT AND SIX per cent. Levee; also, Alabama five and eight per cent. Bonds for sale. Southern Securities a specialty.

MANNING & DE FOREST,
Bankers, No. 19 Wall-st.

OFFICE OF THE CONSOLIDATION COAL COMPANY OF MARYLAND, No. 71 BROADWAY.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 9, 1869.
THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING of the Stockholders of this Company, for the election of a President and Directors, will be held in this office on WEDNESDAY, the 20th inst., at 12 o'clock, noon. The polls will be closed at 1 o'clock.
A special meeting of the stockholders will be held at 1 o'clock, same place, for the consideration of such business as may be presented.
The transfer books will be closed from the 10th inst. until after the election.
JAMES S. MACKIE, Vice-President.

IMPORTERS' AND TRADERS' NATIONAL BANK OF NEW-YORK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 31, 1868.
HOLDERS OF THE COUPONS OF THE NASHVILLE AND CHATTANOOGA RAILROAD COMPANY, due Jan. 1, 1869, are requested to present them at this bank for payment.
E. H. PERKINS, Jr., Cashier.

THE BOWERY NATIONAL BANK,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 2, 1869.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the Banking-house, No. 63 Bowery, corner of Canal-st., on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
S. HAMILTON, Cashier.

NATIONAL BROADWAY BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1868.
ELECTION.—THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR 9 directors of this bank will be held at the banking-house No. 237 Broadway, on TUESDAY, the 12th day of January ensuing, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
JAMES M. WILSON, Secretary.

MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, Dec. 31, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the Banking-house No. 257 Broadway, on TUESDAY, the 12th day of January next, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
E. J. OAKLEY, Cashier.

THE NATIONAL PARK BANK OF NEW-YORK,
Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking house No. 214 and 216 Broadway, on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869, from 12 to 1 o'clock.
J. L. WORTH, Cashier.

THE URATHAM NATIONAL BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking-room on TUESDAY, 12th of January next, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
O. H. SCHREINER, Cashier.

THE BANK OF NEW-YORK,
NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 12, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking-room on TUESDAY, the 12th day of January, 1869. Polls open from 12 M. to 1 P. M.
W. B. MEEKER, Cashier.

SHELDEN AND COLUMBIAN COPPER COMPANY.—A special meeting of the stockholders of the above Company will be held at its office, No. 22 William-st., New-York, on MONDAY, the 1st day of February, 1869, at 12 o'clock M., to act upon the questions of increasing the capital stock of the Company and of levying further assessments. By order of the Directors,
S. J. EDWARDS, Secretary.

EIGHTH NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 12, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this bank will be held at the banking-house, No. 660 Broadway, on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
CHAS. HUDSON, Cashier.

MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' NATIONAL BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 26, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking-house, No. 193 Bowery, on Wednesday, Jan. 13, 1869, between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock.
GEO. V. YOULE, Cashier.

THE TRADESMEN'S NATIONAL BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS will be held on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, from 12 M. to 2 P. M.
ANTHONY HALSEY, Cashier.

NATIONAL BUTCHERS' AND DROVERS' BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking-house, No. 224 Bowery, on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
G. G. BRISCKERHOFF, Cashier.

SEVENTH WARD NATIONAL BANK OF NEW-YORK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 12, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the Banking-house, No. 234 Pearl-st., on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869, between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock P. M.
G. MONTAGUE, Cashier.

LOUISIANA LEVEE BONDS, MEMPHIS City Bonds, Memphis and Little Rock 1st Mortgage Bonds, Memphis and Charleston 2d Mortgage Bonds, for sale by LEVY & BORG, No. 41 Pine-st.

FINANCIAL.

HEDDEN, WINCHESTER & CO.,
No. 4 Wall-st.,
BANKERS AND BROKERS.

STOCKS, BONDS, GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, AND GOLD BOUGHT AND SOLD on commission. Interest allowed on balances.

NEW-YORK GOLD EXCHANGE.

At a meeting held this day, it was
Resolved, That a vote be had by ballot on TUESDAY, 12th inst., on the question of abolishing powers of attorney, and that the polls be open between the hours of 10 A. M. and 3 P. M.
JOS. WIN MOSES, Secretary.

B. MURRAY, JR.,
BROKER IN
GOVERNMENT AND OTHER SECURITIES,
NO. 2 NASSAU-ST., N. Y.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT our safe was broken open on the night of the 31st December, 1868, or the morning of Jan. 1, 1869, at No. 44 Hudson-st., New-York City, and the following taken therefrom: Twenty shares Delaware and Hudson Canal Company, No. 14,247, indorsed; also a receipt from same Company for ten shares of same stock. All persons are notified against purchasing or receiving for the same, as notice has been duly given to stop payments and transfer thereon.
MEYER, DEUTSCH & CO.
NEW-YORK, No. 44 Hudson-st., Jan. 2, 1869.

OFFICE OF THE GARDNER MANUFACTURING CO.,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 5, 1869.
AN ANNUAL MEETING of the Stockholders of the Gardner Manufacturing Company will be held as their office, No. 110 Bowery, New-York, on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 20, 1869, at 3 P. M., at which time nine trustees will be chosen to serve for the ensuing year.
JOHN BOWMAN, Secretary.

DIVIDENDS.

WILLIAMSBURGH CITY FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
CAPITAL.....$200,000.
SURPLUS.....$240,000.
The Board of Directors have this day declared a Dividend of FIVE PER CENT., payable on demand.
R. GIROUX,
Secretary.
BROOKLYN, Jan. 8, 1869.

LONG ISLAND INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 151 MONTAGUE-ST., No. 48 WALL-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 5, 1869.
AN INTEREST DIVIDEND OF THREE and One-half per cent., (3½ per cent.,) free of tax, has this day been declared payable on demand.
W. W. HENSHAW, Secretary.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.
PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAILROAD CO.,
OFFICE NO. 227 SOUTH 4TH-ST.,
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30, 1868.
The transfer books of this Company will be closed on the 4th of January next, and be reopened on TUESDAY, Jan. 12.
A dividend of Five per Cent., has been declared on the preferred and common stock, clear of National and state taxes, payable in common stock, on and after Jan. 25, 1869, to the holders thereof, as they shall stand registered on the books of the Company on the 4th of January next. All payable at this office.
All orders for dividends must be witnessed and stamped.
S. BRADFORD, Treasurer.

TWENTY-THIRD DIVIDEND.
OFFICE OF RELIEF FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
No. 149 Broadway, Northwest corner Liberty-st.
The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of five per cent., free of Government tax, payable to the stockholders on demand.
JAN. 6, 1869. W. E. CRARY, Secretary.

THIRTIETH DIVIDEND.
OFFICE OF THE IRVING FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 11, 1869.
The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Five per Cent. and the Government tax, payable on demand.
JAMES M. WILSON, Secretary.

CLINTON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
OFFICE NO. 156 BROADWAY.
THIRTY-FOURTH DIVIDEND.—THE Board of Directors of this Company have declared a semi-annual Dividend of Six (6) per cent., free of Government tax, payable on 13th inst.
WASHINGTON POST, Jr., Acting Secretary.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 7, 1869.

YONKERS AND NEW-YORK FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
No. 160 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 5, 1869.
EIGHTH DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a semi-annual Dividend of FIVE (5) PER CENT., free from Government tax, payable on demand.
JOHN W. MURRAY, Secretary

OFFICE OF THE SPRING MOUNTAIN COAL CO.,
ROOMS NOS. 2 AND 3 NO. 25 NASSAU-ST.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a cash dividend of Five (5) per cent., payable on and after Jan. 20, 1869, at the office of the Company. The transfer books will be closed from the 10th to the 19th inclusive.
CHAS. RUNYON, Secretary and Treasurer.

KNICKERBOCKER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
OF NEW-YORK, OFFICE, No. 64 WALL-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 6, 1869.
AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF Directors held this day, a semi-annual dividend of FIVE PER CENT., free of Government tax, was declared payable on and after Jan. 10, 1869.
The transfer books will be closed from this date until Jan. 11, 1869.
JOSEPH L. TOWNSEND, Secretary.

MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
No. 293 BOWERY, NEAR HOUSTON-ST.
DIVIDEND.—THE TRUSTEES HAVE DECLARED a Dividend of SIX PER CENT. per annum (free from tax) on all sums of from $5 to $10,000 entitled thereto for the six months ending Dec. 31, payable on and after Jan. 20.
ALFRED T. CONKLIN, President.
HENRY C. FISHER, Secretary.

FOURTH NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1868.
THE DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK have this day declared a semi-annual Dividend of Four (4) per Cent., free of all taxes, payable on and after Jan. 2, proximo.
The transfer books will be closed from the 24th inst. until Jan. 2.
B. SEAMAN, Cashier.

METROPOLITAN NATIONAL BANK,
No. 178 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 18, 1868.
THE DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN NATIONAL BANK have declared a semi-annual dividend of SIX (6) PER CENT., free of all tax, payable on the first MONDAY of January prox.
The Transfer Books will remain closed until Jan. 10.
GEO. I. SENEY, Cashier.
1869.

OFFICE OF RELIEF FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 149 BROADWAY, N. W. corner of Liberty-st.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Company will be held at their office on TUESDAY, 12th inst., between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
W. E. CRARY, Secretary.
JAN. 5, 1869.

NATIONAL SHOE AND LEATHER BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 14, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking-house, Broadway and Chambers-st., on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
J. M. CRANE, Cashier.

TWENTY-NINTH DIVIDEND.—THE Board of Directors of the MERCANTILE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, have THIS DAY, declared a semi-annual dividend of Five per Cent. and the Government tax, payable on and after Monday, the 4th inst., at their office, No. 166 Broadway.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 2, 1869.
WM. A. ANDERSON, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE TRADESMEN'S FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 168 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 3, 1869.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS Company have this day declared a dividend of Five per cent., free of Government tax, payable on and after 11th inst.
T. Y. BROWN, Secretary.

THE NASSAU FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF BROOKLYN,
OFFICES NO. 10 COURT-ST., BROOKLYN,
NO. 65 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Dec. 31, 1868.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a semi-annual Dividend of Ten (10) per Cent., free from Government tax, payable on demand.
THOS. B. JONES, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE NEW-YORK EQUITABLE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 58 WALL-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 6, 1869.
DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a semi-annual Dividend of EIGHT PER CENT. on the capital stock, free from Government tax, payable on and after the 11th inst.
JOHN MILLER, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE GLOBE FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
CORNER OF GREENWICH AND FULTON STS.,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 6, 1869.
DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a semi-annual Dividend of Five (5) per cent., free from Government tax, payable on demand.
ALFRED S. REEVES, Secretary.

OFFICE OF EXCELSIOR FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
No. 130 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 11, 1869.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a semi-annual dividend of five per cent., free of Government tax, payable on demand.
SAML. M. COOPER, Secretary.

OFFICE MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 45 WALL-ST.,
(BANK OF NEW-YORK BUILDING.)
NEW-YORK, Jan. 7, 1869.
A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF SEVEN (7) per cent., free from Government tax, has this day been declared, payable on demand.
J. M. TOMPKINS, Secretary.

PACIFIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
OFFICE No. 470 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 8, 1869.
THIRTY-THIRD DIVIDEND.—THE Board of Directors of this day declared a Dividend of EIGHT (8) per Cent, free of Government tax, payable on the 11th inst.
T. F. JEREMIAH,
Secretary.

OFFICE INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 113 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 5, 1869.
A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF FIVE PER CENT., free from Government tax, has this day been declared by the Board of Directors, and is payable on demand.
WM. J. HUGHES, Secretary.

OFFICE EMPIRE CITY FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 102 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 5, 1869.
THIRTY-FOURTH DIVIDEND.—THE Directors have this day declared a dividend of five per cent., free of Government tax, payable on demand.
WM. A. BURTIS, JR., Secretary.

OFFICE CITIZENS' INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 156 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 6, 1869.
DIVIDEND.—A DIVIDEND OF TEN PER CENT., free of Government tax, is payable on demand.
E. A. WALTON, Secretary.

SIXTY-SEVENTH DIVIDEND.—UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.—The Board of Directors have this day declared, from the earnings of the last six months, a semi-annual dividend of five (5) per cent., and an extra dividend of two (2) per cent., free from Government tax, payable on demand.
W. WILSON UNDERHILL, Secretary.
NEW-YORK Jan. 5, 1869.

BANK OF KENTUCKY.—DIVIDEND.—THE Bank of Kentucky has declared a semi-annual Dividend of 4 per Cent., payable by the New-York stockholders on demand at the BANK OF AMERICA.

IRON WORKS.

ARCHITECTURAL DEPARTMENT OF THE
Novelty Iron Works,
NOS. 77 AND 83 LIBERTY-ST.,
CORNER BROADWAY, NEW-YORK.
Plain and Ornamental Iron Work of all kinds for Buildings.

SAVINGS BANKS.

ATLANTIC SAVINGS BANK,
CHATHAM-SQUARE AND BOWERY,
Dec. 22, 1868.
The Board of Trustees of the Atlantic Savings Bank have ordered that a quarterly and half-yearly dividend at the rate of
SEVEN PER CENT. PER ANNUM
on all deposits entitled thereto, be paid on and after MONDAY, Jan. 18, 1869, out of the earnings of the Bank for the past six months.
HARRISON HALL, President.
C. D. BAILEY, Treasurer.
JOSEPH P. COGGER, Secretary.
N. B.—Deposits made on or before Jan. 20 will date interest from Jan. 1; interest not withdrawn will be added to the principal.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
NO. 68 WARREN-ST., NEW-YORK.
SIX PER CENT. interest allowed on all sums from $1 to $5,000, free of Government tax. Deposits made ON OR BEFORE JAN. 20 will draw interest from Jan. 1. Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
WALTER W. CONCKLIN,
President.
VANDERBILT L. BUXTON,
Secretary.

WILLIAMSBURG SAVINGS BANK,
CORNER OF
SOUTH 3D AND 4TH STS., BROOKLYN, E. D.,
(Late Williamsburg, L. I.)
DIVIDENDS AND EXTRA DIVIDENDS.
Depositors are hereby notified that a semi-annual interest at the rate of SIX PER CENT. per annum on all sums of three dollars and upward that shall have been deposited three months on the 1st day of January next, will be paid to depositors on or after Monday, Jan. 18, 1869.
An EXTRA INTEREST will also be paid at the same time, at the rate of TWO PER CENT. per annum,
ALL FREE FROM GOVERNMENT TAX.
Interest not called for will be placed to the credit of depositors as principal, and will draw in great from Jan. 1. Deposits made on or before the 10th of January will draw interest from the 1st.
The Bank is open for business daily (Sunday and holidays excepted) from 10 o'clock A. M. until 2 o'clock P. M., and also on Monday and Saturday afternoons, from 4 to 7 o'clock.
GEORGE RICARD, President.
WILLIAM WALL,
NATHANIEL BRIGGS, Vice-Presidents.
SAMUEL W. TRUSLOW, Secretary.

EAST RIVER SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
NO. 3 CHAMBERS-ST.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 14, 1868.
INTEREST AT THE RATE OF SEVEN PER CENT. PER ANNUM
on sums of $500 and under: SIX PER CENT. on sums of over $500, which have remained on deposit for three and six months previous to the 1st day of January, 1869, will be paid on demand after the 15th January.
Interest not called for will draw interest from the 1st day of January.
Bank open daily from 10 o'clock A. M. till 3 o'clock P. M., and on Thursdays from 10 A. M. till 7 P. M.
WILLIAM H. SLOUUM, President.
CHARLES A. WHITNEY, Secretary.

METROPOLITAN SAVINGS BANK,
Nos. 1 and 3 Third-av., New-York,
(Opposite Cooper Institute.)
1868—JANUARY INTEREST.—The usual semi-annual INTEREST at the rate of SIX PER CENT. per annum free from Government Tax) on all sums from $5 and upward, which have remained on deposit for three or six months previous to Jan. 1, will be paid to depositors on and after Jan. 20, or if not withdrawn, will be credited to the account and draw interest from the 1ST. THE SAME as a deposit.
DEPOSITS MADE on or before JAN. 20, will draw interest from Jan. 1.
Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
WALTER W. CONCKLIN, President.
VANDERBILT L. BUXTON, Secretary.

ALL DEPOSITS
Made on or before the 20th of January will draw interest from the 1st of January.

THIRD AVENUE SAVINGS BANK,
CORNER 3D-AV. AND 26TH-ST.
SIX PER CENT. INTEREST paid, free from Government tax, on all sums from $1 to $5,000.
Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M., and on MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY EVENINGS, from 6 to 8 o'clock.
SPENCER K. GREEN, President.
WM. B. BIBBINS, Secretary.

CITIZENS' SAVINGS BANK,
Southwest corner of Bowery and Canal-st.
SIX PER CENT. INTEREST paid, free of Government Tax, on all sums from $5 to $5,000.
Open every day from 10 to 3, and in the evenings of Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 5 to 7.
Money deposited now, or on or before Jan. 20, will bear interest from Jan. 1.

UNION DIME SAVINGS BANK,
Nos. 396 and 398 Canal-st., corner of Laight.
SIX PER CENT. Interest on all sums of $5 and upward.
Money deposited on or before Jan. 20, will draw interest from Jan. 1. ASSETS, $5,836,736 53.

MANHATTAN SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
No. 644 BROADWAY, COR. BLEECKER-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1868.
THE TRUSTEES OF THIS INSTITUTION have declared the thirty-sixth semi-annual dividend on all deposits, (by the rules entitled thereto,) at the rate of Six Per Cent. per annum, on all sums not exceeding $1,000; and Five Per Cent. on larger sums; payable on and after MONDAY, Jan. 18, 1869, free of Government tax. The interest will be credited under date of Jan. 1, and if not withdrawn, will receive interest the same as a deposit of that date.
SIX PER CENT. PER ANNUM, ON ALL SUMS FROM $1 TO $5,000,
will allowed Depositors, July 1, 1868, and Jan. 1, 1870.
D. BROWN, President.
EDWARD SCHELL, Treasurer.
C. F. ALVORD, Secretary.

GREENWICH SAVINGS BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1868.
INTEREST WILL BE PAID TO DEPOSITORS at the rate of SEVEN per cent. per annum on all sums of $5 to $5,0, and SIX per cent. on sums exceeding $500, agreeably with the provisions of the By-laws, free from Government tax and payable on and after Jan. 18, 1869.
All interest not called for will be credited as principal and draw interest accordingly.
All deposits made on or before Jan. 10, 1869, will draw interest from the 1st.
BENJAMIN F. WHEELWRIGHT, President.
JOHN S. DICKERSON, } Secretaries.
JAMES BRICK, }

THE TRUSTEES OF THE SEAMEN'S Bank for Savings have ordered that interest (free of Government tax) be paid to depositors entitled thereto, for the six months ending 31st December, as follows:
On sums of $500 and under, at the rate of six per cent. per annum; and on sums exceeding $500, at the rate of five per cent. per annum, payable on and after Monday, 18th inst.
The interest will be placed to the credit of the depositors as principal.
GEO. F. THOMAS, President.
WILLIAM NELSON, Secretary.
NEW-YORK, Jan 7,

SHIPPING.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

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CUBA leaves.....WEDNESDAY, Jan. 20
JAVA leaves.....WEDNESDAY, Jan. 27
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RUSSIA leaves.....WEDNESDAY, Feb. 10

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From Pier No. 46 North River, WEDNESDAYS.

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NEBRASKA.....3,309 tons.....Jan. 27, at 2 P. M.
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CITY OF ANTWERP.....Saturday, Jan. 23, 1 P. M.
KANGAROO (via Halifax).....Tuesday, Jan. 26, 1 P. M.

And each succeeding SATURDAY and alternate TUESDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.

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Through rates, New-York to San Francisco:

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One hundred pounds baggage free to each adult. Medicine and attendance free.

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FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.

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GEO. CROMWELL.....VAILL, SATURDAY, Jan. 23

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BLACK STAR INDEPENDENT LINE.

OPPOSITION TO MONOPOLY.

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MORRO CASTLE, Capt. R. ADAMS.....Jan. 14.
COLUMBIA, Capt. E. VAN SICE.....Jan. 21.
EAGLE, Capt. H. GREENE, via Nassau.....Jan. 28.

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The steamship MAGNOLIA will sail on the following THURSDAY.

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I. D. BARTON, Superintendent.

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8:30 A. M.—Way Train, Daily, for Otisville and intermediate Stations.

9 A. M.—Express Mail, for Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati and all points West and South.

10 A. M.—Express Train, for Middletown and intermediate Stations.

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WM. H. GUION, H. HEADLEY,
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HUDSON RIVER AND HARLEM RAILROADS.—On and after MONDAY, Nov. 23, 1868, trains for Albany and Troy, connecting with Northern and Western trains, will leave New-York as follows:

6 A. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, 30th-st. and 10th-av., through to Albany and Suspension Bridge without change of cars, and connecting at Troy with cars for Rutland and North. Drawing-room cars from New-York to Rochester, connecting with the sleeping-cars for the West, via either route at or south Shore Junction.

10 A. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, 26th-st. and 4th-av., connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs, Pittsfield, &c., at Albany with Rutland, Burlington and the only train with trains for Saratoga, Ballston and Schenectady.

11:30 A. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with trains for the West. Drawing-room car attached, running through to Troy.

3:30 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, with drawing-room car attached, connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Montreal, with sleeping-car attached.

4 P. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, for Albany and Troy, connecting at Albany with Western trains. Sleeping-cars attached at Albany.

6 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-car attached, and through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars. Sleeping-cars for Cleveland and Cincinnati, via Rome, W. and O. Railroad. Connection for Troy will be made at East Albany. This train will run on Sundays.

11 P. M. train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-cars attached, connecting at Albany with express trains for Buffalo and Suspension Bridge, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga and all points North.

A Sunday train will be run via the Hudson River Railroad from New-York to Poughkeepsie and intermediate stations, leaving New-York at 9 A. M., and returning leave Poughkeepsie at 3 P. M., arriving in New-York at 8:20.

Also, a Sunday train via Harlem Railroad, leaving 42d-st. at 9 A. M., and arriving at Millerton at 3:40 P. M. Returning, leaves Millerton at 4:20 P. M., arriving at New-York at 12 M.

WM. H. VANDERBILT, Vice-President.

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THOS. W. DEMAREST, Supt.
Nov. 2, 1868.

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NEW-YORK, Aug. 19, 1868.

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PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR PAPER FOR THE PUBLIC PRINTING.

OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL PRINTER, WASHINGTON, Dec. 9, 1868.

In pursuance of the provisions of the fourth section of the act entitled "An act to further regulate the printing of the public documents, and the purchase of paper for the public printing," approved on the 27th of July, 1868, Proposals will be received until TUESDAY, the 26th day of January, 1869, at 4 o'clock P. M., for furnishing the Paper for the public printing until the first day of December, 1869; the said proposals to be opened, considered, and the award of contracts to be made by the Joint Committee of Congress on Public Printing, to the lowest and best bidder for the interests of the Government. The subjoined schedule specifies, as nearly as can be ascertained, the quantity of each kind of paper that will be required, but the contracts will be entered into for all that may be needed during the year, and no more:

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1,000 reams, measuring 30x38 inches, weighing 42 pounds per ream.

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Proposals will be received for the whole quantity, or for any portion not less than one thousand reams, of the papers designated in Classes 1 and 2, and for the whole quantity or any portion of the papers designated in Class 5, being not less than one-fourth. Samples of the quality of the papers, in all the classes, will be furnished upon application at this office, and the successful bidders will be required rigidly to conform to the samples furnished.

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No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by a bond, with security to the approval of a United States Judge or Attorney, in the penalty of $10,000, that the bidder or bidders, if his or their proposal shall be accepted, shall furnish the articles proposed for; and each proposal must be accompanied by satisfactory evidence that the person or persons making said proposal are practical manufacturers of the description of paper which he or they propose to furnish.

All the paper in the several classes must be delivered at the Government Printing Office, in the City of Washington, D. C., free from all and every extra charge or expense, and subject to the inspection, count, weight and measurement of the Congressional printers, and be in all respects satisfactory.

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Blank proposals will be furnished upon application at this office, and no proposal will be considered which does not conform exactly thereto.

Proposals will be indorsed on the envelope "Proposals for Paper," and addressed to the *Joint Committee on Public Printing*, either to the care of Hon. H. B. Anthony, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Printing; Hon. A. H. Ladin, Chairman of the House Committee on Printing; or John D. Defrees, Congressional Printer, Washington, D. C.

By direction of the Joint Committee of Congress on Public Printing.

JOHN D. DEFREES, Congressional Printer.

PROPOSALS FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THE DEBATES IN CONGRESS.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PRINTING, FORTIETH CONGRESS, THIRD SESSION, WASHINGTON, Dec. 9, 1868.

In pursuance of the provisions of the fourth section of the act entitled "An act to further regulate the printing of the public documents, and the purchase of paper for the public printing," approved on the 27th of July, 1868, and in accordance with the following section of an act approved July 25th, 1868:

SECTION 3. And be it further enacted, That all acts or parts of acts authorizing the publication of the debates in Congress are hereby repealed from and after the 4th day of March next, and the Joint Committee on Printing is hereby authorized and required to invite proposals for the publication of the actual proceedings and debates in the Congress, upon a plan and specifications to be previously published by them, and shall also ascertain the cost of such publication by the Superintendent of Public Printing, and shall report as soon as practicable such proposals and estimate of cost, together with a bill to provide for the publication of the debates and proceedings of Congress.

The Committee have adopted the present plan of publication, in a daily paper containing no political matter, and subsequently, after revision, in a quarto form, but they also invite propositions for publication in other forms, as the whole subject is to be laid before Congress for its final approval and action.

All proposals should embrace: First, the furnishing of a corps of reporters for each House, acceptable to the Committee on Printing, and sufficiently large to report the debates promptly.

Second, the publication of the debates in a daily paper, to contain no political matter, to be issued in time to be sent from Washington by the earliest mails leaving on the morning of the publication; the proposition to state the kinds of type to be used, and the price per thousand ems, including all changes, corrections and additions in matter put into type; also, the prices for the publication of the same matter not reported; and also the weight, size and quality of the paper to be used.

The proposal to state what the first five hundred copies of each number of the paper so printed will be furnished for, and what each additional copy will be furnished for.

Third—The transpositions of the reports so printed into quarto form, without any extra charges for corrections, and for printing this quarto edition on paper to be furnished by the Congressional Printer, and the price per thousand ems.

Fourth—Persons making proposals will state whether or not they propose to make any additional charges for mailing the daily edition, messengers, indexing the quarto edition, waiting for copy, or any other service connected with the reporting and publication of the debates; and if they do, to state what such charges will be, with the understanding that no claim will be made beyond what is embraced in the proposals.

No proposal will be received unless accompanied with a bond with security, to the approval of a United States District Judge or Attorney, in the penalty of $25,000 that the bidder or bidders shall execute the work if the Joint Committee on Public Printing desire to make the contract with him or them, and each proposal must also be accompanied by satisfactory evidence that the person or persons making it can command the necessary facilities, and are practically acquainted with the business of publication.

The joint committee will furnish any desired information that they may possess concerning these proposals, on application to John D. Defrees, Congressional Printer, Washington, D. C.

Proposals will be indorsed on the envelopes, "Proposals for the Publication of the Debates in Congress," and addressed to the care of Hon. H. B. Anthony, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Printing; Hon. A. H. Ladin, Chairman of the House Committee on Printing; John D. Defrees, Congressional Printer, Washington, D. C.

By direction of the Joint Committee of Congress on Public Printing.

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PAYMASTER'S OFFICE, UNITED STATES NAVY, No. 29 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 11, 1869.

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INDIANA.

The New Legislature and the Senatorship—The Prominent Candidates—The Democrats at their Old Tricks—New Developments in the Clem Trial—What the Erie Men are Doing in Indiana.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Thursday, Jan. 7, 1869.

The sharp Senatorial contest impending in Indiana gives special interest to the new meeting of the Legislature, by whom the successor of Hon. THOMAS A. HENDRICKS is to be chosen. The fight in the Republican legislative caucus promises to be close and bitter, and it is at the present writing utterly impossible to say who will be the successful candidate. At previous Senatorial elections, especially at those held in 1861 and 1867, there was hardly a scintilla of discord among the Republican members of the Legislature in regard to the candidates whom they were to send to the United States Senate, the masses of the party having, in the former year, decided in favor of Hon. HENRY S. LANE, and in the latter, in favor of Gov. O. P. MORTON, with such remarkable unanimity that the Legislature, even if it had felt inclined to disregard the popular wishes, would not have dared to do so. Such is unfortunately not the case at the present juncture. We have now a perfect *embarras de richesses* of Republican candidates for the United States Senate, all of them able and distinguished men, and deserving of the highest consideration at the hands of their party, and of the best favors which it has to bestow upon its leaders; but not one of them is sufficiently prominent to render the prospects of his competitors utterly hopeless. From the best information which I have been able to obtain, in conversing with leading members of the Legislature and experienced politicians from all parts of the State, it seems to me that the contest lies between our new Lieutenant-Governor, WILL. CUMBACK, and Hon. GODLOVE S. ORTH, member of the present Congress from the Seventh District, and reElected to the next Congress. Gov. CUMBACK, it is said, received, during his stumping tour through the State, last Summer and Fall, pledges from a great many Republican candidates for the Legislature, to the effect that, in the event of their election, they would give him their support for the Senatorship. Mr. ORTH, on the other hand, aside from his own great ability and Congressional experience, and his brilliant services in repeatedly carrying a close and doubtful district in the face of the most formidable obstacles, has this advantage over Gov. CUMBACK: that he is the most prominent candidate from the northern part of Indiana, a section of the State which—although it has hitherto, and especially at the late election, given the heaviest majorities for the Republican ticket, and in effect saved the State—has received but a very small share of the offices in the gift of the party, most of which have been bestowed upon Republicans from the Democratic south of Indiana. The Republicans of Northern Indiana insist now that their section is entitled to the Senator, and they seem determined to concentrate their whole strength in the legislative caucus upon Mr. ORTH. At all events, it is admitted that if Gov. CUMBACK should not succeed in obtaining a majority of the votes at the first ballot, Mr. ORTH will lead the rest of his competitors, and have the best chance of distancing them in the race. The result, however, may also be that the Republican State Senators and Representatives, unable to choose between the aforesaid gentlemen, may drop them, and unite upon one of the other aspirants, among whom are the following: Hon. "DICK" THOMPSON, of Terre Haute, long and favorably known as an eminent leader of the Whigs, and afterward of the Republicans, and who at the late Chicago Convention was Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions; Hon. H. C. NEWCOMB, a member of the last Legislature, and for several years past editor-in-chief of the Indianapolis *Journal*, in both of which positions he displayed rare ability; Judge HUGHES, at present State Senator, and known as an eminent ex-member of Congress and eminent lawyer; Judge FRAZIER, one of the most respected members of the Supreme Court; Hon. JOHN D. DEFREES, Superintendent of the National Printing Bureau, to whose shrewd and judicious management and devoted services the Republicans of Indiana are greatly indebted. All of these gentlemen have plenty of friends and admirers, and their claims are now being urged upon the members of the Legislature by a perfect legion of politicians, who have flocked to Indianapolis from all parts of the State, in order to participate in the Senatorial struggle.

A DEMOCRATIC TRICK.

As in other States where a United States Senator is to be chosen, so here in Indiana certain prominent, but very mischievous and unscrupulous Democratic politicians have taken pains to circulate the rumor that Gen. GRANT has expressed his decided preference in favor of the election of one of the candidates for the Senatorship; as usual, the candidate, whom the authors of this story say is favored by Gen. GRANT, is the most unpopular of all. The whole thing is a malicious *canard*, invented for the purpose of sowing distrust in the ranks of the Republicans. No more credence deserves the rumor that the Democratic members of the new Legislature will form a coalition with certain Republican State Senators and Representatives, and vote with them for a conservative candidate for the United States Senate, in opposition to the nominee of the regular Republican caucus. The fact is, the Democrats of Indiana are at the present time greatly puzzled as to the course which they are to pursue in regard to national politics. After the ignominious and rather unexpected capitulation of the Lafe Develin wing of the Democracy of Indiana to the Hendricks wing of the party, McDONALD and the other leaders of the latter deemed it unnecessary for the Indiana Democracy to hold their usual annual State Convention on the anniversary of the Battle of New-Orleans—the more so as the adoption of a platform would have been fraught with no little difficulty. Some of the prominent leaders of the party are quite willing to drop their hostility to negro suffrage, and declare that, if not from choice, at least as a matter of policy, they are ready to accept universal suffrage, coupled with universal amnesty; most of their brethren, especially the lesser lights, however, it seems, have not yet been educated up to that point by the lessons of the late campaign. Senator HENDRICKS, I have been told, refuses to commit himself one way or the other. What he told his friends, upon his recent return from Washington, in regard to the contemplated attempt of the Democratic leaders to Johnsonize Gen. GRANT, is said to have been disheartening in the extreme; and the tone of our Democratic papers toward the President elect is daily growing more bitter and hostile.

THE CLEM TRIAL.

Some additional developments have recently been made in the *cause célèbre* of the State of Indiana *vs.* Mrs. NANCY E. CLEM. It has been positively ascertained that not only gross perjury was committed by certain witnesses for the defence at the first trial of Mrs. CLEM, but that desperate and successful efforts were made by certain parties, who seem vitally interested in the acquittal of the prisoner, to prevent important witnesses for the State from testifying against Mrs. CLEM. One of these witnesses' whose testimony will supply the last link in the chain of circumstantial evidence with which the prosecuting attorney has surrounded the prisoner, has been secured, and will testify at the new trial, which will take place in the course of a few weeks. Public opinion inclines more and more to the belief that the next trial of Mrs. CLEM, despite the efforts made in her behalf by her myst rious friends, will result in her conviction. I should not forget to mention a little discovery which has greatly lessened the interest taken in the prisoner, notwithstanding the almost universal belief that she is guilty of the heinous crime with which she stands charged. The remarkable fortitude and firmness which she invariably displayed during the whole of her long and exhausting trial, and which, in a delicate little woman, seemed decidedly puzzling, have now been accounted for in a very simple manner. According to the statement of her jailers, Mrs. CLEM is not strictly temperate, but consumes daily a rather large quantity of whisky. She never appeared in court until having first imbibed some old rye. So you see that she is by no means a "psychological enigma," as some correspondents have called her.

"RING" IN INDIANA.

The purchase by the New-York and Erie Railroad Company of the Indiana Central Railroad is rather well received by the people of our State, despite the distrust with which the managers of the Erie Railroad are very generally looked upon here. But mixed as our people dislike them, they are still more afraid of the consolidation of the new competing railroads in this State in the hands of one and the same Company; and the above-mentioned purchase of the Indiana Central Railroad seems to have thwarted the schemes which were already in progress, to place that line under the control of another corporation, which would thereby have been enabled to raise the freight and passenger tariff. W. O.

ARMY REUNION.

Circular to the Officers of the Late Army of the Potomac.

For the purpose of forming an Association of the Army of the Potomac, it is respectfully suggested that all officers who served in that army, and who can conveniently be present, meet at New-York City, on the 22d of February, 1869, at 12 o'clock noon.

The object of the society is identical with the general objects and purposes of similar associations formed by our comrades in arms attached to other armies.

Daniel Butterfield, Craig W. Wadsworth, O. B. Wilcox, John C. Caldwell, W. S. Hancock, F. Fessenden, George J. Stannard, Joseph Hooker, A. B. Underwood, A. T. A. Torbert, George G. Meade, John Newton, Charles K. Graham, A. E. Burnside, George L. Hartsuff, John W. Geary, Alfred Pleasonton, O. O. Barnard, H. G. Wright, O. E. Babcock, Horace Porter, George H. Sharpe, George Stoneman, D. B. Sickles, Henry W. Slocum, R. T. Archmu's, Joshua L. Chamberlain, Franz Sigel, Rufus Ingalls, William B. Franklin, John G. Parke, George Sykes, G. K. Warren, William F. Smith, R. W. Hicks, Gilman Marston, Joseph B. Carr, Silas Casey, Carl Schurz, A. S. Williams, William F. Barry, J. M. Palmer, T. A. Davies, M. R. Patrick, C. Grover, T. Seymour, G. S. Greene, F. C. Barlow, W. W. Averill, T. H. Neill, B. B. Ayres, D. McM. Gregg, J. J. Bartlett, G. K. Paul, G. A. DeRussey, James Barnes, S. P. Bentmuiman, D. N. Couch, O. O. Howard, Abner Doubleday, A. A. Humphreys, S. W. Crawford, Gershom Mott, Alexander Shaler, P. H. Sheridan, J. J. Peck, John Gibbon, S. D. Sturgis, L. P. Graham, J. W. Davidson, W. H. Emory, C. Devins, H. Prince, H. J. Hunt, G. W. Getty, William Hays, F. Wheaton, R. Arnold, R. O. Tyler, A. Ames, A. S. Webb, Robert A. Wainwright, George A. Custer, H. E. Davies, A. V. Kautz, E. Upton, W. F. Bartlett, T. W. Egan, R. S. Mackenzie, J. N. Macomb, B. S. Alexander, J. C. Biddle, D. A. Pell, William Cutting, C. A. Whittier, M. W. Keogh, H. F. Halstead, A. Moore, Samuel W. Taylor, E. W. Farrar, Joseph Dickinson, William McMichael, C. Hamlin, J. W. Forsyth, E. B. Parsons, H. J. Biddle, E. S. Purdy, E. P. Halstead, W. R. Hopkins, J. S. Godfrey, W. Merritt, R. Garrard, J. H. Wilson, S. S. Carroll, N. A. Miles, J. D. Fessenden, R. N. Batchelder, W. W. Burns, S. T. Cushing, D. L. Magruder, A. M. Wood, H. C. Wier, Isaac S. Parker, B. H. Bingham, Joseph Smith, C. H. Morgan, J. R. Russell, J. F. Rusling, J. B. Howard, S. B. Bean, Paul Oliver, H. Page, J. Gleason, W. T. Howell, J. V. Furey, R. K. Case, D. D. Wiley, E. B. Dalton, H. Taylor, R. B. Marcy, S. Van Vliet, C. G. Sawtelle, L. H. Pierce, J. G. Lee, G. W. Bradley, George Bell, T. A. McParlin, O. H. Hart, Adam E. King, F. A. Walker, T. M. Anderson, J. F. Quinby, J. R. Hawley, H. J. Clarke, G. D. Ruggles, Frederick Myers, A. McClellan, Clayton McMichael, Thomas B. Cole, A. J. Donaldson, E. E. Tremaine, W. G. Mitchell, F. C. Newhall, George Meade, J. S. Crosby, M. V. Sheridan, L. Richmond, S. F. Barstow, J. Hancock, George Clendenin, J. Bruce Smith, F. T. Locke, G. B. Halstead, W. E. Morford, C. B. Wagner, C. B. Crittenden, W. G. Le Duc, W. Plate, R. B. Corson, J. Perkins, H. C. Manning, S. P. Suydam, E. J. Strang, C. S. McEntee, A. Webster, J. R. Coxe, C. McMillan, C. McKeever, D. B. Sacket, J. A. Hardie, N. H. Davis, S. B. Holabird, A. Biles, P. P. Pitkin, Wm. P. Sevills, Abram Duryea, Walter Cutting, F. J. Parker, Thos. M. Key, George Wright, E. McK. Hudson, Floyd Aspinwall, Henry Wilson, J. J. Astor, N. T. H. Brooks, E. E. Potter, Robert B. Potter, Edward Ferrero, Charles Roberts, Joseph S. Smith, G. H. Wright, C. B. Stoughton, D. C. McCallum, H. S. Lansing, J. J. Dana, R. Haupt, W. Dickinson, J. Giles, Wm. H. Morris, H. S. Cambios, George A. Hicks, Frederick Townsend.

NOTE.—Since this call was contemplated it has been determined, upon general solicitation and advice, to change the place of meeting to New-York City. Notice of the street and number of the building will be published in the daily papers of the 22d of February. It is intended at this meeting merely to make an organization, and fix a date for a reunion at some future time.

MISSISSIPPI.

The June Election and the Rejected Constitution—Letter from Ex-Congressman A. G. Brown.

From the Jackson (Miss.) Clarion, Jan. 6.

TERRY, Hinds County, Miss., Jan. 1, 1869.

Hon. E. Barksdale:

DEAR SIR: I was glad to see it announced in your paper, as by authority, that all parties in Mississippi were to be heard before the Congressional Committee on the alleged frauds in the June election. I feared it might be otherwise, and yet I did not see how the gentlemen of the Republican Party could reconcile to their sense of fair dealing, to decide so grave a question on the *ex parte* showing of men deeply prejudiced, and speaking in their own behalf. It must be apparent to every one that, allowing such men to be honest, they are not the most reliable witnesses.

I know nothing of what occurred at the election in any of the counties complained of except Copiah, which is one of the counties in which fraud is alleged to have been committed. I was at Crystal Springs in that county on the day of the election, and saw all that occurred. There was a great deal of good humored excitement, which manifested itself in loud huzzas and in marching through the streets with music and banners. But there was not one particle of intimidation. The colored voters had their own procession—their own music and banners, and displayed as much zeal and a great deal more of hilarity than the whites. The leaders among them were very active and energetic, and used their influence effectively, as the result shows, in getting their colored friends to vote with them. They used no violence or threats of any kind, and whoever charges that either they or the white voters at that box on that day resorted to foul means of any kind to influence or control the election, does it on my judgment, and according to my closest observation, charge falsely.

It will be remembered that the Republicans had calculated on a majority at that box. The count showed only two votes for their ticket. A result so astounding to the leaders of the party, had, I suppose, to be accounted for in some way, and instead of attributing it to the good sense, tact, zeal and energy of the colored Democratic leaders, they commenced, and have ever since kept up a boisterous cry of fraud, intimidation, &c. One of the two persons to whom the Republican ticket was a freedman named HENRY LOTT. The other was a white man. Here is LOTT's statement. He gave it to me in the presence of several gentlemen some months after the election. I took it down in writing and read it to him. He said it was correct:

"I state freely that I voted the Republican ticket at Crystal Springs at the election in June last. No one questioned my right to do so. There were two hundred or more freedmen who voted at that box. I was the only one who voted the Republican ticket, and did so without difficulty. Since I voted I have not been illused but once, and that was by some wild young men who did me no harm. I must say, however, that I have found it very difficult to get employment. I have, in fact, had no home, working about from place to place, and staying not more than a day or two at any one place.

This is LOTT's statement word for word as I took it down at the time and read it to him. It does not sustain the charge of fraud, violence, or intimidation, unless it be assumed that refusing to give employment is intimidation. Congress has gone a great way since we laid down our arms in saying what under threats of pains and penalties we of the South should or should not do. But I doubt if the Democrat of the extreme Radical School can be prepared to put themselves on the record in favor of compelling us to give employment to people we do not like. If they do, then I humbly submit that they ought to carry the rule out by setting us an example at Washington. When Republican Congressmen vote to give employment to Democrats, or vote they be white or black, I shall be ready to consider the question as to their just right to dictate to me what sort of people I shall employ.

It will be borne in mind that the money in the Treasury is taxed out of the people, Republicans and Democrats alike. When the distribution comes the Republicans take it all. Republican Congressmen do not feel it obligatory on them to give employment to Democrats and pay them out of the common Treasury. Then, I pray, with what show of propriety can Republican Congressmen insert that we are in default if we refuse to employ Republican servants, to be paid out of our own private purse? I do not complain that the Republicans employ their own friends and pay them out of the common Treasury. We did so when we had the Government, and we will do so again when we get control of it, as I know we will after a while. But that cannot justify Congress in punishing me or any other man in the State, or the whole State together, because we do not choose to employ people who are inimical to us. I know there is such a thing as seeing the mote that is in our brother's eye and not perceiving the beam that is in our own. But the glaring inconsistency of such conduct such as this could not fail to arrest the attention of all men of all parties, if they were not absolutely blinded by passion and prejudice.

I have been in Copiah repeatedly since the election, and have talked freely with large numbers of the most intelligent citizens, and, without an exception, they expressed the greatest anxiety for an opportunity to meet and refute all these charges of fraud, corruption and intimidation. They will hail with delight your announcement that they are to be heard in their own defence. They are eager for investigation. There was a United States officer with a squad of Federal soldiers present at every poll in Copiah County. Let them be examined. Examine most of both races and of both parties. Let the examination be thorough and fair, and my word for it the election will be shown to have been as free from fraud and from every improper influence as any that was ever held in the County of Copiah.

I do not know many of the leading men in Congress. The few that I do know well, I am satisfied, will do us justice if our case is fairly laid before them. Among them are WILSON of Massachusetts, THADDEUS STEVENS, and CHANDLER of the Senate, and BINGHAM of the House. Our people have been made to believe that these gentlemen are our enemies, and that they are pursuing us in a malignant spirit through a mere love of vengeance. I know them well, and I do not concur in that opinion. They know that we fought them like men. Convince them that when we laid down our arms we did so in good faith; that when we confessed our defeat we acknowledged the permanent overthrow of slavery and of the right of secession—and that we are now sincerely desirous of resuming our position in the Federal Union, not to disturb its harmony, but to contribute all our energies, mental and physical, to its lasting prosperity. Do this, and the Republican leaders I have named, and doubtless many others, will be all ready to receive us as we are to be received. But I am asked how are we to convince them. I answer, *by acknowledging our own weakness and the power of the Government; by a strict compliance with the terms of reconstruction proposed by Congress.* That is all. We shall have it to do. Then why not do it without so much mouthing and hesitation? Do we not perceive that it is this very mouthing and hesitation that keeps alive the suspicion that we are not loyal? And this renders our situation more critical, not to say day by day more desperate.

I am willing to have it known at Washington, as it is at home, that I opposed the ratification of the Constitution submitted at the June election, *not* because it conformed to the "Congressional plan," but *distinctly, because it did not.* Whenever a Constitution is submitted in strict conformity to that or any similar "plan" Congress may propose, I will advocate its ratification. For be it known, that I acknowledge the power *and the right* of Congress, speaking for the conqueror, to dictate terms to the conquered. If in doing this it violates the Federal Constitution, our appeal is to the Supreme Court. If it violates the laws of humanity, our appeal is to the judgment of the world. Beyond these appeals, we are absolutely without a remedy. We tried the bullet and lost—we tried the ballot and lost again. I cannot be mistaken in supposing that a very large majority of our thoughtful and deserving people concur with me in the opinion that we can do nothing but submit, and as we have it to do, "were better to do it quickly.

Very truly your obedient servant,

A. G. BROWN.

The Proposed Entranchisement of the Massachusetts Indians.

From the Springfield Republican, Jan. 11.

The enfranchisement of the Indians of Massachusetts, recommended by Gov. CLAFLIN in his address, is a matter that for many years has claimed attention. But the number of the so-called Indians being small, their condition tolerably satisfactory to themselves, and the obstacles in the way of their complete enfranchisement being thought considerable, nothing has been done, except to have their numbers, condition, &c., reported from time to time to the Legislature. This was done last year by the Board of Charities, under an order of the House of Representatives, introduced in 1867 by Mr. BIRD, who for many years has been their friend and champion. He himself made a report on their disabilities in 1848, and his friend, JOHN MILTON EARLE, made a still more complete report in 1860. It appears that the whole number of Indians and their descendants, who are mostly mixed with African blood, is no more than 1,600 in the State, while the so-called "plantation tribes" number 1,200. Of these the most important are the Marshpee Indians, near Barnstable, numbering some 100, the Herring Pond Tribe, in Sandwich, numbering less than 100, the Gay Head Tribe of Martha's Vineyard, about 200, and the other Vineyard Indians, who do not exceed 300. Beside these there are fragments of the Nantucket, Dartmouth, Dudley and Dudley Tribes, who are under the guardianship of the State, but rather as paupers than as communities. Among them all there is probably not an Indian of pure blood, for they have intermarried for so many generations with negroes, mulattoes and men of mixed blood, that their genealogy is hopelessly mixed up. They are all recognized, however, as descendants of the former owners of the soil of Massachusetts, and they still own nearly 20,000 acres of land, chiefly at Marshpee and on the Vineyard. This property they are not allowed to alienate, nor are they required to pay taxes. They allowed to vote, except in their own communities, which are managed under a sort of town organization. The State expends for them annually for the support of schools and ministers, for the care of their property, the relief of the poor, &c., upward of $4,000, and these, in turn, local authorities pay the rest of their expenses. They are generally poor, and many of them are indolent; but some are thrifty farmers, seamen and laborers, and there is as much intelligence in their communities as among the generality of the colored population of the country.

It is now proposed to make them voters and taxpayers, on the same footing as the other people of the State. This was recommenced by Mr. BIRD twenty years ago, by Mr. EARLE in 1860, and by Mr. SANBORN last year. The recommendation of the Governor, seconded in the Legislature by Mr. BIRD, will probably lead to their complete enfranchisement.

Meeting of the New-Jersey Legislature To-Day.

From the Newark Advertiser, Jan. 11.

The ninety-third session of the New-Jersey Legislature will convene at Trenton to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. The Democracy having a clear working majority in both houses, there will be no delay in the organization. In the Senate, Mr. LITTLE, of Monmouth, will be reElected President, and Mr. CORNISH, of Warren, Secretary. In the House the position of Speaker seems to be accorded to Mr. LEON ABBETT, of Hudson, who now enters upon his third term after an intermission of two years, he having been a leading member of the Assembly in 1865 and 1866. Mr. ALEXANDER M. JOHNSTON, of Mercer, will be reElected Clerk. The only seat in dispute is that of Senator TORREY, Republican, of Ocean County, which is contested by his Democratic opponent, the ground of ineligibility, owing to Mr. TORREY's not having lived a sufficient length of time in the county, as is alleged.

The third and final message of Gov. WARD will be communicated to the Legislature upon its organization. Mr. RANDOLPH, the Governor elect, will be inaugurated on Tuesday, the 19th. The election for United States Senator, to succeed Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, will take place early in the session, when Hon. JOHN P. STOCKTON will be elected to the position. It is understood, however, that the Democracy of East Jersey, which constitutes the majority of the party in the State, will insist upon the election of Mr. STOCKTON, do so with the expectation that the naming of the successor to Senator CATTELL will be accorded to this section of the State.

The exclusive privileges of the joint companies having expired by limitation, Jan. 1, 1869, an extensive field is now open for the average standing of legislation, and already the rumors of an attempt by Commodore VANDERBILT to procure a charter for a competing line through the State have been revived. The transfer of various railroad privileges, the "Erie Railroad war," the question of Riparian Rights, will all be fruitful of disputes and legislation.

Conversations with Powers the American Sculptor—Lecture by Rev. Dr. Bellows in Brooklyn.

Rev. Dr. BELLOWS delivered a lecture in the Church of the Saviour, Pierrepont-street, Brooklyn, last evening, in behalf of the Liberal Christian Union, his subject being "Conversations with Powers the American Sculptor in Florence." He explained that the lecture had been prepared while he was in Florence last April, at the invitation of one of his parishioners to sit for his bust at the studio of Mr. POWERS. While he gave POWERS sittings he had no intention of being the sculptor himself. The first of the points the Doctor obtained was the sculptor's ideas of measurement, next of expression. POWERS had been much oppressed by going to Rome and making hurried visits; he also confessed to much embarrassment by the extraordinary claims of his countrymen at Rome in America, causing more to be expected from him than he could perform. Until he went to Rome and spent his time leisurely he did not intend to return to America. The Greeks trusted to knowledge for their art, and trusted to art for their knowledge. The animals' noses were unlike those of men. The noses of men pointed downward to the ground; those of animals upward. POWERS was content to come a little nearer nature every day, but so far as his idealizing of nature was concerned that was a matter immeasurably beyond his ability. POWERS had resolved to use his art to conceal art and to interpret nature—to make truth in art his standard. JOHN QUINCY ADAMS once sat for his bust, and during his sittings he (the sculptor) was careful not to hold conversation with him for fear of betraying his own ignorance, but on one occasion he ventured to relate an anecdote of a work of art to Mr. ADAMS, and when he had concluded, the latter said, "Yes, it's a good story, but you have not got it precisely correct," and he went on to tell it in his peculiarly eloquent manner, and "I," said POWERS, "came to the conclusion that Mr. ADAMS could not be told much he was not already well informed of." The conversations ran through the five sittings and involved various and interesting points, which as they came from the lips of the sculptor unfolded the simple means by which he caught the rules by which he, during his career, had accomplished his grand works of art. POWERS, during the third sitting, gave a succinct and telling account of his early life and experience in his American home, at Cincinnati. He thought that American artists—painters—might lose no advantage by remaining at home, for all countries have their own skies, their own colors and shades; for instance, it would be wrong to introduce Italian skies into American landscapes. The sculptors it is differently the human form is the same everywhere. Models in New-York would cost many dollars, while in Florence they are obtained for but a few cents. The lecturer closed by giving a brief account of POWERS' statement of his religious education and his present religious convictions, which were of the Trinitarian order, and revealed an unwavering belief in the divinity of Christ. Dr. BELLOWS could not agree with Mr. POWERS, but not desiring to have any controversy shifted the subject of conversation back to art. The lecture, although lengthy, was listened to with the most marked attention by the highly appreciative audience.

"Eyes"—Lecture by Dr. Hall.

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather last evening quite a large audience of young people, and many older ones, assembled in the Mission Chapel of the Brick Church, in Thirty-fifth-street, to listen to a lecture by Rev. Dr. HALL, of the Nineteenth-street Presbyterian Church. The reverend lecturer took for his subject "Eyes," and handled it throughout in a manner both entertaining and instructive. He referred to some of the numerous instances in which the term is applied to things inanimate as well as animate, such as the eye of a needle, the eye of the wind, into which, from time immemorial, ships had been sailing, yet leaving it unharmed as before, and the eye of the law, which, he said, was sometimes exceedingly few peculiar eccentricity of vision. It could sometimes discern things even as small as a purse or a pocket handkerchief in crime, but fail to see things even as large as a barrel of whisky. He said also that into this grand subject he had thrown, and was seemingly effective, especially if gold dust. He then described at length the construction of the eye, compared it with the most perfect products of science, the idea of which was borrowed from it, and after illustrating at considerable length the peculiar adaptation not only of the human eye to all necessities of man, but also the eyes of the lower orders of animals, birds and fishes, to the various necessities of their existence he drew, in conclusion, the moral inferences therefrom tending to show the wisdom and goodness of the Creator, who made all things for good, and who he prayed might open the eyes of their understanding to reflect the beams of the Son of Righteousness.

THE QUEER WILL CASE.

Further Developments in the Carrick Will Case at Paterson—How Mrs. Carrick and Jones Kept Watch for the Robbers.

According to appointment, the celebrated Carrick will case, the early action in which has been already reported in the TIMES, was again called on yesterday at the Passaic County Circuit Court, Paterson, before Judge BEDLE and Associate Justices. The action, we repeat, was brought to set aside the will and codicil of a wealthy old Scotchman named ROBERT CARRICK, who during his lifetime had amassed property to the value of about $180,000, and who on his death-bed had bequeathed $60 000 to his wife, other sums to relatives, and a sum of $10,000 to HARRY ERNEST JONES, a detective officer whom Mrs. CARRICK had married a few days after the demise of her husband. About ten years since Mrs. CARRICK, then Miss STEDMAN, was sent over by some friends in Scotland to act in the capacity of nurse to the old gentleman, then approaching his 70th year and gradually becoming paralyzed. She had not been long discharging her duties as servant when Mr. CARRICK conceived such an affection for her that he "took her to wife." For some years before his decease he had made several wills, by which he left legacies to friends and relatives, but by a codicil to his last testament, dated February, 1867, he revoked many of those legacies, and substituted in their stead a bequest to Mr. JONES, and the executors, or relatives and friends who had been thus treated, claim that his wife exercised such an undue influence over him, that his last will and codicil were consequently void. The case came on for hearing before Judge BEDLE a week since, and all the evidence in reference to the matter given. The suit was argued yesterday by Senator HOPPER and Mr. MCWILLIAMS, who, in their statements, mentioned the following facts in addition to those already published; In the Summer of 1866 a burglary was committed in Mr. CARRICK's house, but Officers JONES and GRAUL getting information of the matter, immediately succeeded in discovering one of the burglars and pursued him, and, in the chase, the burglar turned round and fired a pistol at Officer GRAUL, narrowly missing him. GRAUL, however, had the misfortune of being a married man, and this, argued the counsel, was the reason for his not having been mentioned in the will. Thenceforward Mr. JONES became a constant visitor to the house, so constant indeed, and so well received by Mrs. CARRICK, that one witness, SCULLEN, said: "We expected Mr. JONES to be boss after Mr. CARRICK's death, and he was in reality boss before. He was a frequent visitor; left sometimes at 7 o'clock in the morning, on one occasion I saw him leaving at 4 o'clock in the morning; he left frequently at that hour; when he left at that early hour in the morning I was told by Mrs. CARRICK that he was watching for robbers, and that she was watching with him; two months before Mr. CARRICK's death saw Mrs. CARRICK and Mr. JONES sitting all alone in a room, about midnight, and overheard conversation and laughing, and from their noise it did not appear they were watching for robbers. On another occasion a Mr. PENNINGTON slept in the house, and in the morning he found his door locked, evidently done so by some one outside. Counsel contrasted this evidence of wishing, in reference to the woman's conduct, with a statement made by Mrs. CARRICK in the case before the master, that it pained her to find her poor deceased husband spoken of by parties as he had been. Mr. CARRICK had always been fond of his sister JEANETTE, and yet before his death he wrote a letter desiring her not to come and see him, and refused to mention her in his will, thus showing that the man had decided imbecility of mind. The objection to seeing his relative was, that for reasons he could then receive no company, and his wife was in poor state of health. A statement made to his nurse, by a relative, but in consequence of some rumors abroad in reference to an improper intimacy between her and JONES, she wrote the detective a letter, asking him to see her in a public street in Paterson, in order that some explanations might be made, and this letter JONES took to Mrs. CARRICK, who, on return, showed it to Mr. CARRICK, at the same time stating that the letter was merely soliciting an assignation. The consequence was the relative was ejected from the premises, the reason alleged being that she was vulgar and sent too much. In reference to the question of imbecility, counsel read the evidence of Mr. PENNINGTON, to the effect that Mr. CARRICK had stated that Mr. ROGERS had left to his credit $500,000, and also alluded to the fact, that for some whimsical reason, Mr. CARRICK had fallen out with his lifelong friend and agent, Mr. PIERSON. Counsel having referred to the letters of Mrs. CARRICK to obtain full control of her husband's property before his decease, concluded by asking that the last will and testament be quashed.

Mr. WOODRUFF will speak to-day on the part of the proponents of the will. The evidence on his side, as to the man's sanity, is quite strong; and it is supposed that the testimony given thus far, is not sufficient to justify the setting aside of the will and codicil.

Children's Aid Society.

The regular monthly meeting of the Trustees of the Children's Aid Society was held last evening, at their rooms, No. 8 East Fourth-street—the President, *pro tem.*, HOWARD POTTER, Esq., in the chair; C. L. BRACE, Secretary. After the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, Messrs. GEORGE C. WARD and D. WILLIS JAMES were unanimously chosen trustees, (to fill vacancies). The reports stated that 125 boys, 42 girls, 18 men and 9 women were provided with homes and employment in the West during the month. The average attendance of the 19 industrial schools was 2,332. At the Newsboys' Lodging-house, No. 49 Park-place, 5,084 lodgings and 6,127 meals had been furnished; nightly average attendance, 168. Seventy-eight boys were provided with homes, and 68 boys saved $221 09. The Girls' Lodging-house, No. 128 Mercer-street, furnished 1,131 lodgings and 3,118 meals, and provided places and employment for 22 girls. The nightly average attendance was 37. The Sixteenth Ward Lodging-house, No. 211 West Eighteenth-street, furnished 2,314 lodgings and 3,294 meals; nightly average attendance, 77. Five boys were reclaimed to friends. The Phelps Lodging-house, No. 327 Rivington-street, sheltered about 58 boys each night, provided 3 boys with places, and furnished 1,692 lodgings and 1,403 meals. Cottage-place Reading Room, No. 204 Bleecker-street; nightly average attendance about forty. First Ward Reading Room, No. 50 Trinity-place; nightly average attendance about forty. Sixteenth Ward Reading Room, No. 211 West Eighteenth-street; nightly average attendance about twenty-seven. Thirteenth Ward Reading Room, No. 311 Rivington-street; nightly average attendance about thirty.

Reports from the visitors and agents were read, giving many interesting incidents connected with the work. The Secretary related the history of a young man who had lately visited them, and who was formerly a PROTESTANT Episcopal minister in Boston, and who has been a pastor of a Congregational Church for the last three years.

Meeting of the Association for the Advancement of Science and Art.

This Association, which has recently recovered its charter of incorporation, met last night at their new rooms, corner of Third-avenue and Seventh-street, Dr. JOHN GRISCOM in the chair.

There were present the following members: Rev. Dr. PRIME, O'REILLY, RICHARDS, LODER, ROSEVILT, DUGDALE, WILLIAMS, DESTINWELL, and Dr. LEE. A motion was made and carried that Mr. DUGDALE be elected Recording Secretary *pro tem.* Mr. DUGDALE thereupon proceeded to read the minutes of the previous meeting, which were approved.

The principal business of the Association was the transfer of the property of the old Association to the Board of Trustees of the incorporation.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was deferred to the next regular meeting of the Association.

Dr. GRISCOM stated that he had intended, but regretted being unable to do so, to bring before the notice of the members last evening, a new invention for applying the vapor of water to heating purposes. He said if the invention were all he believed it to be, it would be one of the most economical means of cooking, and therefore a blessing to the poor, that could be imagined. The apparatus in question will be brought before the Association on next night of meeting.

Dr. LEE, late of England, was elected a member by unanimous vote.

Bedford-Avenue Reformed Church.

The new edifice which has been erected on Bedford-avenue at the corner of Clymer-street, E. D., is fast approaching completion. Meantime the services of the church, held in the chapel in Division-avenue, are attended by overflowing congregations. Rev. Dr. PORTER appears to be gaining ground, and when the new church shall be finished there will be a large congregation to fill it. The contracts for the interior of the new edifice have all been given out. The ladies of the church have, from the proceeds of several fairs, saved a sum sufficient to provide elegant upholstery for the pews throughout, and the young misses connected with the church are prepared to provide all the furnishings of the pulpit. The galleries are to be fitted up in the opera-box style, and the woodwork throughout will be black walnut. The contract for the organ has been given to JARDINE, of New-York, and with all the appurtenances, that instrument will cost about $6,000 or $7,000. It is expected that the house will be opened for public worship about the month of June. The present admirable spirit of harmony and mutual good feeling which prevails in the congregation promises to make Dr. PORTER's church a happy place of meeting in the future.

Hell Gate Obstructions.

Mr. SHELBOURNE, who is to blast out the bottom of Hell Gate, and make the *deepest averse* more easy than ever, has, during the past week, tried his drilling machine under water, and found that it answers his expectations. It was predicted that when he submerged his steam-hose the steam would be condensed by the water. The drilling to be done will require the submersion of about twenty-five feet of hose. The machine has worked perfectly with forty-five feet of hose under water. As the currents inside are somewhat with the process, he will drill only a few hours each day at slack water, and he will commence as soon as the weather permits. The explosive material to be used is nitro-glycerine.

Masonic.

The first anniversary of the Manhattan Lodge No. 494, Independent Order of Good Templars, was celebrated at Cooper Institute last night. In spite of the weather, the hall was three-quarters filled, and a large proportion of those present were ladies. The entertainment consisted of music, addresses, a laughing-gas exhibition and *tableaux vivants.* The music was well suited to the occasion. Mr. JOHN A. TAYLOR's address commenced with a courteous but not eulogistic allusion to Rev. LEONARD W. BACON's pamphlet on the failures of the temperance movement. The speaker was unable to see any failures. The Good Templars, he said, numbered now 800 Lodges, with 75,000 members. The great number of wailing orphans and widows, made such by the intemperance of fathers and husbands, he regarded also as somehow a refutation of such sophistical arguments as Rev. Mr. BACON had offered. He proclaimed the purpose of Good Templarism to be "the total extinction of intoxicating liquors as a beverage," which he expected to accomplish, "not in a day, nor a week, nor a year, and possibly not in a century." He urged his brethren and sisters to renewed effort. On the whole, the speech was not only earnest, but sensible, from the Good Templar point of view.

The laughing gas produced its usual effects on inhalers and lookers-on. The *tableaux vivants*, owing to the length of the preceding exercises, came late, and were exhibited, necessarily, with haste.

West-street.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In your article on West-street, under the head of "Minor Topics," you speak of the insufficiency of that street, want of width, &c. The fault is not in the street, but the squatting occupants, who have taken possession of the City property in direct violation of law, and for which they do not pay any rents.

West-street, from the Battery to Hammond-street, will be, when built to the exterior line prescribed by law, 110 feet wide, but it is reduced nearly one-third in width by these illegal structures of foreign and native squatters, all of whom have been notified, and some are being sued.

I have lately applied to the foremen of two Grand Juries to have the Grand Jurors examine and report on these nuisances, but without success so far; but, as "I never mean to give it up so," they (the nuisances) will be "fetched" yet. G. W. B.

GENERAL CITY NEWS.

THE METROPOLITAN POLICE MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION.—Sergt. WM. H. LEFFERTS, of the Twenty-sixth Precinct, President of the Police Mutual Aid Association in this City, yesterday submitted the following as his second annual report of the proceedings of the Association during the past twelve months, from Jan. 11, 1868, to Jan. 9, 1869: *Benefit Fund.*—Receipts—Collections from members, $81,177. Disbursements—Paid to the families of